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Dominion Status Within Time Limit

Taj Conference Demands Immediate Reconstruction Of Viceroy's Council

Defence Portfolio For An Indian

SIR T. B. SAPRU ON GOVT.'S FOLLY

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad's Plain-Speaking: Congress Cannot Be Ignored

The immediate need for the reconstruction of the Governor-General's Executive Council, which should consist wholly of non-official Indians drawn from important elements in the public life of the country, and which should be treated in regard to all inter-Imperial and international matters on the same footing as the Dominion Governments was stressed in a comprehensive resolution which was unanimously adopted by the Non-Party Leaders' Conference, at Taj Mahal Hotel, on Friday.

DECLARATION DEMANDED

The resolution which was moved by Sir N. N. Sircar also suggested that simultaneously with the reconstruction of the Government, His Majesty's Government should make a declaration "that within a specified time limit after the conclusion of the war, India will enjoy the same measure of Freedom as will be enjoyed by Britain and the Dominions."

Considerable unanimity of opinion was expressed at the Conference although a discordant note was struck by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad and Sir Cowasji Jehangir, who while agreeing with the principle of the resolution, expressed doubts if the proposals put forward would be workable in the absence of the co-operation of the two major political parties in India.

Sir Chimanlal suggested that if attempts to bring together the two parties failed, they should form a Central party and seek the suffrage of the country.

Several speakers stressed that the proposals contained in the resolution constituted an advance on the offer of August 8, and was not materially different from the offer made by the Congress at Poona. The hope was also expressed that the Congress and the League might be induced to accept the proposals.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru in his concluding remarks averred that it looked as if British statesmanship was totally bankrupt and suggested that Mr. Amery should come to India and find out the situation for himself.

The Rt. Hon. M. R. Jayakar, Member of His Majesty's Privy Council, was one of the visitors to the Conference.

SIR TEJ BAHADUR SAPRU
"Mr. Amery should come to India."

END THE DEADLOCK

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru opened the proceedings of the Conference with a comprehensive survey of the political situation in the country and pleaded for an earnest effort to end the deadlock with a view to the successful prosecution of the war.

He began by stating that it was under a compelling sense of duty that he had come to the Conference. They were all entitled to have their own views regarding the situation that had arisen in the country. It was no use challenging their representative capacity or their position. It was enough to say that they were men interested in the future progress of India and had watched with grave anxiety the situation which had developed in the country. They were entitled to express their views freely and frankly, not in their individual interests but in those of the country as a whole.

The Conference was one of men who viewed the situation not from the viewpoint of any party but that of the country as a whole. There were some who were identified with strong party organisations, and others who were not attached to any party. But even those who had strong party affiliations, realising the supreme importance of the issues before them had put their party affiliations in the background, and were determined to do everything in their power which would tend to ease the situation.

What exactly was this situation? Out of eleven provinces,

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WILL AMERY LISTEN TO THEM?

MADRAS, March 14.

It is well known that Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's proposal for the appointment of some Indian as the Minister of Defence in an effectively enlarged Executive Council, made in his statement of December 13 last, is under careful examination by Mr. Amery, the Secretary of State for India, and possibly may be answered presently in Parliament, although it is quite unlikely that his proposal will be adopted—states the London correspondent of the "Hindu" in a cable.

There is no indication, he says, that the Government will depart from the view that the Viceroy's original offer fully meets Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru's or the Congress case for a real change in the executive system.—United Press.

15 Persons Shot For Espionage

LONDON, March 14.

Fifteen out of 18 persons convicted at The Hague on charges of sabotage and espionage were shot according to an announcement by the Commander for the Netherlands quoted by the official German News Agency.

Three other persons, it says, have been sentenced to imprisonment.—Reuter.

BHOPAL PRINCESS IN CAR ACCIDENT

BHOPAL, March 14.

A motor accident resulted in the death of the wife of the late Prince Sultan Aziz, brother of Her Highness the Begam of Bhopal.

It is reported that the accident took place near a local level crossing the car which was carrying the deceased and her small daughter turning turtle.

The deceased sustained fatal injuries on the head and neck to which she succumbed immediately afterwards in hospital. The daughter escaped unhurt.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

ITALIAN RETREAT CONTINUES.

CAIRO, March 14.

Further successes in Abyssinia against the Italins are announced in a "communique" issued here. Abyssinian Patriot forces have reached the vicinity of Debra Marcos after inflicting serious casualties on the Italians during their retreat from Burye. British forces have occupied Asosa and are advancing along Mendi road. In Italian Somaliland, the Patriots have occupied Yavello and are following the Italian withdrawal towards Neghelli.—Reuter.

3,447 MILLION DOLLARS FOR AMERICA'S TWO-OCEAN NAVY

LONDON, March 14.

The House of Representatives passed and sent to the Senate a Bill for 3,447 million dollars to help finance the United States two-ocean navy. Funds for building six battle cruisers of a new type are provided in the Bill.—Reuter.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru addressing Leaders' Conferenc e at Taj Mahal Hotel.

In Albania And Africa

R. A. F. BOMBERS THRASH ITALIAN ARMIES

BR. TROOPS' ADVANCE INTO ABYSSINIA

CAIRO, March 14.

R. A. F. fighters and bombers continue to punish Italy's armies in Albania and Africa with remarkably few losses. Here are highlights of their latest activities as recorded by an R. A. F. Middle East communique:

LIBYA—The naval basin and the main quay at Tripoli were heavily raided on Wednesday night. Bombs fell along the entire length of the quayside causing fires and one very large explosion near the lighthouse. A road junction and a military building at Zlitene east of Tripoli were also bombed.

ERITREA— Motor transport, troops, gun positions, railway and road bridges were bombed and machine-gunned around the Italian fortress of Keren.

ABYSSINIA—The South African Air Force continued to give support to advancing British troops.

26 KILLED IN SEVILLE EXPLOSION

VICHY, March 14.

Twenty-six people were killed and 300 injured in an explosion at the powder factory at Seville according to a preliminary report of the inquiry into the disaster, says a Seville despatch to the Vichy News Agency.

Fifty houses were destroyed.—Reuter.

ALBANIA—The Sasseno Island off Valona Bay and the Valona aerodrome were bombed on Wednesday night and considerable damage was done. In a fighter patrol (recorded in the Athens message earlier) the R.A.F. met a formation of enemy bombers escorted by over 50 fighters and were greatly outnumbered. From all the operations, all R.A.F. aircraft returned safely.—Reuter.

ASOSA FALLS TO BRITISH FORCES

KHARTOUM, March 14.

Maintaining their relentless pressure following the fall of Afodu, 45 miles inside Abyssinia from Kurmuk, the British forces have now taken Asosa, 40 miles south-east of Kurmuk.

It was captured on Tuesday evening, after combined operations by the Sudan defence force and East African troops. Details of the action have not yet been received.—Reuter.

Hitler's Time-Table Upset

Yugoslavia Hesitates To Sign Pact With Germany

BELGRADE, March 14.

Yugoslavia's delay in reaching a decision on the German demands is believed to have upset Hitler's Balkan time-table. According to the Nazi plan, it is stated, that a Yugoslav-German agreement should have been signed on Thursday and this would have been followed by an immediate attack upon Greece. Yugoslav statesmen, however, viewed with suspicion certain clauses in the agreement proposed by Germany as an alternative to the signature of the tripartite pact. The latest reports from usually well-informed sources in Vienna tend to confirm that Germany did not ask Yugoslavia to sign the pact since she is aware that such a step might cause disorders in Yugoslavia.

The temporary deadlock is considered to be due to natural Yugoslav caution and partly to the unusually delicate handling of the situation by German diplomacy. The Nazis are apparently very anxious to obtain the maximum concessions with the minimum danger. Reports that further squadrons of aircraft are being rushed to Bulgaria and fast craft and baby submarines for use in the Aegean are regarded as indicative of the seriousness with which Germany regards the Greek campaign.—Reuter.

BRITISH AUXILIARY VESSEL SUNK

LONDON, March 14.

The auxiliary vessel, "Manistee" has been sunk, according to an admiralty communique. The "Manistee" was a converted vessel.—Reuter.

NAZI'S UNLUCKY NUMBER

13 Planes Brought Down By R. A. F. In Single Day

LONDON, March 14.

Thirteen enemy bombers were destroyed for certain in Thursday night's air attack on Britain, states the Air Ministry. "These results were obtained in conditions exceptionally favourable for interception". No fewer than eleven fell to R.A.F. fighters, one was shot down by anti-aircraft fire and one was destroyed "by other means".—Reuter.

NAZI ATTACK ON BR. SHIPPING IMMINENT

"Face This Danger With Your Usual Tenacity"

LONDON, March 14.

Britain is going to be faced with a really hard struggle at sea this year.

The Minister of Shipping, Mr. Ronald Cross speaking in London to-day said "We have reached the moment when the enemy promised us very heaviest attack upon our shipping and while we never place any credence upon the enemy's word, I see no reason to disbelieve him on this occasion. "I am confident that all ranks will face this danger with the tenacity with which they have faced dangers in the past".—Reuter.

UNIDENTIFIED PLANE OVER DUBLIN BAY

DUBLIN, March 14.

An unidentified aircraft flew over Dublin bay about noon today and was fired on by ground defences. The Eire Government information Bureau issued the statement this afternoon.—Reuter.

NAZI TOWNS BOMBED

The R.A.F. attacked Hamburg, Bremen and Rotterdam and also aerodromes in Holland last night.

An Air Ministry 'communique' announcing this says that the raid on Hamburg was the heaviest yet made. Shipping yards and warehouses were attacked.

One supply ship was attacked off the Norwegian coast while another supply ship was sunk off the Frisian islands by an aerial torpedo.—Reuter.

Roosevelt Will Speak To-day

To Tell Americans How He Will Use His Wide New Powers

WASHINGTON, March 14.

President Roosevelt will to-morrow (Saturday) evening over a radio network tell the American people how he will use the great powers entrusted to him under the Lease and Lend Act. The President will be speaking at the annual dinner of the White House Correspondents Association and other guests will be the British Ambassador, Lord Halifax, Mr. Wendell Willkie, members of the Cabinet and the Diplomatic Corps.

REPORTS INACCURATE.

There has been no decision as regards transferring additional naval craft to Britain, declared President Roosevelt at a press conference. Reports of transferring a hundred naval craft were inaccurate. No consideration had been given to the types or numbers of ships, though that did not mean that some war vessels might not be transferred in the future.

The President indicated that Government intended to proceed cautiously over the question of supplying food to German-occupied European countries. If the United States provided food there should be the certainty that none could go outside the country that was being helped. They should be clear on facts concerning the food situation in Europe before reaching conclusions.

FEROZE[illegible]N NOON FOR U. S. A.?

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 14.

It is stated in Sir Ferozekhan Noon's office, that Sir Ferozekhan Noon had gone to the country for the week-end.

An earlier cable stated that Sir Ferozekhan Noon had left for Lisbon to proceed to Canada and United States in a clipper.

Britain Wants Landing Boats

Britain's two principal requests to the United States for immediate aid are for 150 mosquito boats and a good number of destroyers, according to the Washington Correspondent of the "New York Times." The mosquito boat request is stated to have included small boats of various kinds, but the correspondent says that some people in Washington find it significant that there is a request also for landing boats which is taken to mean that Britain is preparing landing operations.—Reuter.

DEFENCE MATERIAL LEAVES FOR BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, March 14.

Some defence material to be transferred from the United States to Britain has already started for its destination.

Mr. Stimson, Secretary of war, announcing this to-day said that he did not give details as he thought that a premature disclosure would be unfair to Britain.—Reuter.

Anglo-U. S. Factories In America

LONDON, March 14.

According to Col. Knudsen, Chairman of the United States Defence Commission, Britain and United States have jointly contributed to the expansion of 784 defence factories throughout the country at an estimated cost of 500 million pounds. Britain alone has been responsible for the expansion of 61 factories at 43 million pounds.

Col. Knudsen predicted a further huge expansion in the next three months.

SAN FRANCISCO:—Britain has purchased two passenger liners formerly plying from Los Angeles to San Francisco.—Reuter.

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20. MATRIMONIAL

Wanted for a nationalist Hindu, M.A., young man of 33 well settled in life a vegetarian partner. No caste restrictions. First wife barren and economically independent. Correspond Box No. 14334, "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted Candidates to become Sub-Engineers, Overseers by Post. Principal, British India Technical College (B.C.) Sukkur (Sind). (14247)

Wanted candidates for stationmaster, and signaller's course scholarship Rs. 30|- and Railway fare terms. Free quarter. Apply with 2 annas stamps The Director, All-India Railway Routine Training Institute, Delhi. (14143)

Wanted a competent mechanic for a Flatbed Cox-O-type Rotary printing machine. Apply at once with copies of testimonials stating minimum salary expected, to:—'The Manager, Indian Nation, Fraser Road, Patna Bazar.' (14320)

Wanted:—A godown keeper by a big bank in Bombay. Salary Rs. 40. Cash security Rs. 1,000 and also personal security necessary. Apply immediately Box No. 4526, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted—A Forest Officer for a State in Eastern States Agency. Applicants must be D.D.R. with Hindi as their mother tongue. Previous experience, especially of Forest working plans is desired. Pay Rs. 130|- to 150|- according to ability and qualifications. Apply to Box No. 4502, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted influential Ladies and Gentlemen as Branch Managers throughout Bombay Presidency on Rs. 100|- with increment, T.A., Establishment charges and pension benefits for our Branches to be opened shortly. Apply to The Indian Investment Trust Limited, Ottapalam, (Malabar). (14790)

Applications stating previous experience with copies of testimonials are invited from persons with the knowledge of:—(a) Soap Making, (b) Manufacture of Glycerine (c) Working of Oil Paints, (d) a Mechanic or a man having general knowledge of the necessary Machinery for the above work. For a Modern Factory in Aden to G. P. O. Box No. 878, Bombay. (14298)

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Opportunity for Industrialists— Qualified Technical Chemist, worked as incharge of largest Chemical Factories. Vast experience in the manufacture of heavy chemicals, Salts, Acids and many other industrial products, Starch, Oil, Fertilisers, etc. Capable of designing, erecting and working of various plants. Open for engagement. Communicate to Box No 14314, "Bombay Chronicle."

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62. TO BE LET

New Gamdevi Dalal House, First Floor, 6 big rooms, passage, kitchen, 2 W.C., 2 Bath. Modern conveniences. (14310)

Decent and Airy flats, shops, and rooms "Sham Bhuvan" Building, opp. Babulnath Temple, Chowpatty. 2. "Wassiamull Building," Grant Road. 3. "Wassiamull Mansion," Gowalia Tank. Apply at the premises or Wassiamull Assomull and Co., Kalbadevi Road, Telephone No. 21338. (14328)

63. FLATS TO LET

Cheap three room airy westerly flats. Fort. Central locality. Rs. 90-65 Apollo Bunder, spacious two bed room, verandah, bath, godown, servants, flat. Rs. 130|-. Gazdar, Bombay House, Bruce Street. Phone 26403. (14342)

71. TO LET (UPCOUNTRY)

Hill Stations Matheran. Honey Court to let for hot season. Fully furnished. Electric lights, Running Water. One of the best station ten. bazaar fifteen minutes. Next to Parsi Gymkhana. Apply Box No. 14333, "Bombay Chronicle."

78. OFFICE PREMISES TO LET

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86. SHOPS TO LET

Fort, central business locality shop, Victoria Building, Parsi Bazar Rs. 60|- Gazdar, Bombay House, Bruce Street. Phone 26403. (14342A)

140. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS.

Librarianship Course: Applications are invited from candidates who have passed the Intermediate examination of the Bombay University (or other examinations equivalent thereto) for admission to the Summer School of Librarianship, Belgaum. The course begins from 1st May and will last for a month. Tuition fee Rs. 25. For further particulars apply to:—The Director: Summer School of Librarianship, Lingaraj College, Belgaum. (14322)

241. PROFESSIONAL ADLETS.

Anything and everything Electrical, Lift and Light Installation and Maintenance, Rewinding Motors etc. please apply Great Western Electrical Eng. & Trag. Co., National Insurance Buldg., 204 Hornby Rd., Tel. No. 23286. (14344)

327. AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents to push our buttons. Terms moderate. Send Rs. 3|- for our sample set. Friends & Co. 33. Nabadwip Lane, Dacca (Bengal). (14319)

346. INVESTMENTS

Wanted a gentleman or lady financier to invest, loan on mortgage or partnership, upto ten thousands outside Bombay. Reply Box No. 14343. "Bombay Chronicle."

347. LOANS & MORTGAGES

The money will be advanced against Loan, Hundi, Ornaments, Insurance policies, personal, write or see. For reply enclose stamp. Narottamdas Harjivandas Shroff, Masjid Bunder Road, 272, Opp. Imperial Bank. (14341)

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The Principal and Staff of Wilson College will be At Home to past students on Saturday the 22nd March, 1941, at 5-30 p.m. All past students are cordially invited.

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NOTICE TO BUILDING CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED by the Trustees of Seth C. B. Divecha Trust Funds for the undermentioned works at Edulji Street, Thana:—

1. Tender for dismantling and carting away debris of the existing building. Copies of tender can be had from the undersigned on payment of Rs. 2|- per copy, which must be returned to the undersigned with a cash deposit of Rs. 100|- before the 24th March, 1941.
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Dated this 15th March, 1941.
D. J. MISTRY & CO.,
Architects & Surveyors,
65, Esplanade Road, Fort,
BOMBAY.

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BOMBAY-SIND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CANDIDATES for the competitive examinations for appointment to the SIND SERVICE OF ENGINEERS, Classes I and II, advertised in the issue of 8th February, 1941, are informed that those who have appeared or are likely to appear at the examination the passing of which will render them eligible to appear at the competitive examinations may apply not later than the 5th April, 1941, for admission to the latter examinations. Their applications will be accepted provisionally if they are eligible in all other respects and they will be required to furnish not later than the 14th June, 1941, to the Public Service Commission a proof of having passed such qualifying examination (i.e., a certificate from the Principal of the College or University Registrar).

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from University Graduates for enrolment into the Indian Army Ordnance Corps as Combatant Storemen Havildars.
Age.—Between 20 and 29 years.
Pay.—On enrolment Rs. 70/- per mensem (approximately) with free rations, clothing and accommodation
Applications should be submitted to.—
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GOVERNMENT SERVICE

WANTED Demonstrator for Analytical Work, Royal Institute of Science, Bombay, Pay Rs. 85-5-170. Age limit 25.
Full details available on application, with two anna stamped self addressed foolscap envelope, to the Principal, Royal Institute of Science, Bombay.
Applications to reach the Principal not later than the 1st April, 1941.

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Public Notices

BENARES HINDU UNIVERSITY. (Summer Training Course in Librarianship).

APPLICATIONS for admission to the Certificate Course in Librarianship, are invited to reach the undersigned on or before April, 15th 1941. Minimum qualification is a pass at the Matriculation examination. Further particulars can be had on application.
(Sd.) G. S. MISHRA,
Librarian.
March 10th, 1941.

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NOTICE

FIRM of Messrs. M. PAVLE & CO., Tobacconist of Sitaram Building, Crawford Market, have been bought up by me from Mr. Michael Pavledis. And I have removed the said shop to Amar Building, Sir P. Mehta Road. So all outstanding of Sitaram Building shop will be received & Paid by Mr. Michael Pavledis.
For, M. Pavle & Co.
ERACH RUSTOM IRANI.
Sole Proprietor.

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THE INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE, LTD.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office at Lakshmi Building (First Floor), Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 5th April, 1941, at 2-15 P.M. (S.T.), in accordance with the requisition signed by more than one-third the number of Members of the Exchange and deposited at the Office of the Exchange under the provisions of Articles 41 and 42 of the Articles of Association, for calling an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Exchange, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, of passing the following Resolution, namely,

"Resolved that transactions in the Exchange should henceforward be carried out both for cash as well as one month forward deliveries. The date of forward delivery should be second Monday in every month and the time for carry forward on 'budlas' should be the last week of every month."

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. RAMASWAMI,
Secretary.
Bombay, 10th March, 1941.

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NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned till 11 A.M. on 17-4-'41 for Constructing an R.C.T.Beam Bridge of 11 spans of 30 feet each in 7|3 Mile of Narasapatam Thallapalem Road. Approximate cost Rs. 65,000|- tender documents can be had at Rs. 15|- per set which will not be refunded in any case. For further particulars please apply to the Undersigned.
(Sd.) K. S. RAMAMURTI,
District Board Engineer, Vizag.

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G. I. P. RLY.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE.

Mechanical Department.

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill approximately 9 temporary posts of Tallymen grade Rs. 30-4-50 in Mechanical Department during the year 1941. Age between 18 and 25 years on 1st January, 1941. Educational qualifications Matriculation, Junior Cambridge or equivalent examination of recognised University. Candidates should be physically fit and have the following sight standard:—

(a) Distant vision as tested by Landolt's split rings must be not less than 6|9 in each eye with or without glasses.
(b) Near vision—snellen 0.6 in each eye with or without glasses.

2. Full particulars and form of application are obtainable from the Chief Mechanical Engineer, G. I. P. Rly., Parel, Bombay, on payment of Re. 1|- by money order. Full name and address of applicant should be entered in block capital letters on money order coupon. Last date for receipt of money order 28th March, 1941. Candidates called for interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend examination or interview will not imply offer of definite employment.

3. Candidates from the Depressed Classes who attain the qualifying standard may be shown some preference.

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Public Notices

BOMBAY PORT TRUST RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

DEMURRAGE ON COAL WAGONS AT MANGANESE DEPOT.
REFERENCE:—B. P. T. RAILWAY GOODS TARIFF NO. 4, PARAS 103 (m) and (x).

WHEREAS the state of the Coal Traffic to Manganese Depot makes it necessary to curtail the free time allowed under para 103 (m). In accordance with para 103 (x), I hereby give notice that with immediate effect for purposes of demurrage the free time for unloading coal wagons is reduced from 9 working hours to 6 working hours.

H. A. GAYDON,
Manager.
Nicol Road, Fort
Bombay, 14th March, 1941.

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SHERIFF'S NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the First Criminal Sessions of 1941 which commenced on the 20th January, 1941, has this day been DISSOLVED.

T. SINCLAIR KENNEDY,
Sheriff of Bombay.
Sheriff's Office,
High Court, Bombay,
14th March 1941.

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G. I. P. RLY.

RATE CIRCULARS

A NEW RATE CIRCULAR viz., Local Rate Advice No. 3 (Coaching and Goods) of 1941, is being issued to-day.

Particulars may be obtained from the Chief Traffic Manager, Bombay, or stations.

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Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BOMBAY COTTON MANUFACTURING CO., LTD. (in voluntary liquidation) by its Liquidators Messrs. H. F. Commissariat and C. H. Bhabha has contracted to sell to our clients the property known as the Bombay Cotton Mills described in the schedule hereunder written situate at the junction of the Kalachowki Road and Chinchpokli Road in Bombay. All persons having any interest or claim of whatsoever nature or kind in or to the said property or any part thereof either by way of mortgage, lien, gift, sale, use, trust, lease, inheritance or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned Solicitors for the purchasers at their Office at the Mercantile Bank Buildings, 54, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof. In default the sale will be completed on the expiry of the said period and all interests and claims, if any, in or to the said property of which no notice shall have been so received will be considered as relinquished and waived.

THE SCHEDULE

All those several pieces or parcels of land or ground now formed into one partly of Toka Tenure and partly of the Foras (redeemed) tenure with the Mill premises, buildings, godowns, outhouses and structures standing thereon known as the Bombay Cotton Mills situate lying and being at the junction of Kalachowki Road and Chinchpokli Road, outside the Fort of Bombay in the City and Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 23627 square yards or thereabouts (of which a portion admeasuring 2058 square yards or thereabouts is Toka Land and the remaining portion is Foras redeemed land) bearing Cadastral Survey No. 229 of Mazagaon Division and assessed by the Collector of Bombay under New Nos. 14466, (C.R.R. No. 8365) E|16782, 1A|16782, 1C|16782, 1E|16782, G|16782, D|16782 and F|16782 and New Survey Nos. 1|2509, 3|2511, 3Ab|2511, 3BC|2511, 3E|2511, 31E|2511, 31D|2511 and 32E|2511 and by the Bombay Municipality under E Ward Nos. 6393 @ 8403 (2) and 8283 @ 8286, Street Nos. 77 @ 87 and 4 and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the North by Kalachowki Road, on or towards the East by Chinchpokli Road, on or towards the South by property bearing C.S. No. 830 and on or towards the West by properties bearing C. S. Nos 827 and 828.

Dated this 14th day of March, 1941.

PAYNE & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

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Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION

SUIT NO. 2156 OF 1940.

Messrs. MAGANLAL JIVRAJ & CO., on behalf of themselves and all other the creditors of Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur deceased a registered firm, carrying on business as shroffs and money lenders at Kika Street, outside the Fort of Bombay. .. Plaintiffs.

vs.

(1) Bai JAINABAI, widow of Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur, as the sole executrix of the last Will and Testament of Mahomedhusein Abdul Gafur deceased and as one of the heirs and legal representatives of the said Mahomedhusein Abdul Gafur of Bombay, Mahomedan Inhabitant, residing at Chowki Moholla, outside the Fort of Bombay, (2) ABDUL KADAR MAHOMED HUSEIN, (3) EBRAHIM MAHOMED HUSEIN, (4) KULSUMBAI, daughter of Mahomedhusein Abdul Gafur and (5) AISHABAI, daughter of Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur, all of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitants also the heirs and legal representatives of the deceased Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur, residing at Chowki Moholla, outside the Fort of Bombay, the defendants Nos. 3 and 5 being minors under the age of 18 years by their guardian-ad-litem the said Bai Jainabai widow of Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur .. .. Defendants.

To,
All the creditors of Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur,

PURSUANT to the order made by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Blackwell on the 29th day of November 1940, Notice is hereby given under Order 1, Rule 8 of the Code of Civil Procedure that the plaintiffs abovenamed have instituted the above suit against the defendants abovenamed for and on behalf of themselves and all other creditors of the said Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur deceased, praying for the following reliefs:—

(a) That the estate of the said deceased Mahomed Husein Abdul Gafur may be administered by and under the directions of this Honourable Court.
(b) That the defendants may be ordered to make a full and true discovery of all the properties movable and immovable belonging to the estate of the said deceased came to their hands.
(c) That the defendants may be ordered to render an account of the administration of the estate of the said deceased and the management of the properties belonging to the estate by the defendants.
(d) That the defendants as the heirs and legal representatives of the said deceased to the extent of the estate of the said deceased come to their hands may be ordered to pay to the plaintiffs the sum of Rs. 1,333-9-3 with interest thereon at the rate of annas 8 and pies 6 per cent per Gujarati calendar month from Aso Sud 3 s.y. 1996 (4-10-40) and in default to pay compound interest at the said rate till payment limited to the estate of the said deceased.
(e) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit some fit and proper person may be appointed Receiver to take charge of the properties belonging to the estate of the said deceased with all powers under Order 40 Rule 1(d) of the Civil Procedure Code.
(f) That the defendants may be restrained by an order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from dealing with or disposing of the properties belonging to the estate of the said deceased.
(g) That for all the aforesaid purposes all accounts may be taken, inquiries made, directions given and orders passed as to this Hon'ble Court may seem just.
(h) That the defendants may be ordered to pay to the plaintiffs the costs of the suit or their costs of the suit may be otherwise provided for.
(i) That the plaintiffs may have such further and other reliefs as the nature and circumstances of the case may require.

And that the hearing of the above suit has been fixed for the 16th day of April, 1941.

Dated this 7th day of March, 1941.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) G. MAHADEVIA,
for Prothonotary & Senior Master.

K. K. DASTUR.
This 7th day of March, 1941.
Messrs. KHANDVALA & CHHOTALAL,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PESHOTAN SORABJEE DUBASH and Bai MEHERBANOO PESHOTAN DUBASH have contracted to sell to our clients the undermentioned property. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said property by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim, and the same, if any shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of leasehold land or ground known as Plot No. 26 in Block I of the Back Bay Reclamation Estate with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon within the City and Island of Bombay in the Registration Subdistrict of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1727 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Rent Roll No. 10025 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 1704 of the Fort Division and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under A Ward No. 3664(6) and Street No. 133 F and which said premises are bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by Plot No. 25 of the same Estate, on or towards the West by Marine Drive, on or towards the North by Plot No. 27 of the same Estate and on or towards the South by a fifty feet road and known by the name of Meherabad.

Dated this 12th day of March, 1941.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM & MADAN,
Purchasers' Attorneys.

(4548)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.
Petition for Letters of Administration of the joint family property and credits standing in the name of PURSHOTUMDAS POONJABHAI, late of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, who resided at Girgaum Back Road, without the Fort of Bombay, a retired Merchant.. .. Deceased.
PARBHUDAS PURSHOTUMDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Parbhu Nivas Girgaum Back Road without the Fort of Bombay. .. Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness SIR JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, KNIGHT, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this 5th day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty one and in the fifth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) S. J. RAHIMTOOLA.
Prothonotary & Senior Master.

(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR.
The 5th day of March, 1941.
Messrs. MULLA & MULLA,
Petitioner's Attorneys.

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On The Air

SATURDAY, MARCH 15.

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

5 p.m. Anwarbai. 5-15 Mohammad Shafi. 5-30 Lachhi Ram. 5-40 Lakshman Prasad. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Special announcements. 6-15 Zohra Jan. 6-30 Raftar-i-Zamana. 6-45 Gayak. 7 For villagers only. 7-45 What is culture, 7. 8 Intizar. 8-30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8-45 Anwarbai. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 Gayak. 10-5 Lakshman Prasad. 10-15 Anwarbai. 10-25 Geet aur Ghazal. 10-45 News in English.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 a.m. Musical prelude. 8-5 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-25 Indian music. 8-40 News in Hindustani. 8-50 News in English. 9 to 9-50 As in Delhi 2. 9-50 A. R. P. Talk.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

11-30 to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)
From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3.365 kc/s)

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 Indian music. 5-35 Indian music. 5 40 News in Gujarati. 5-45 Indian music. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Indian music. 7 to 7-30 As in Delhi 2 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati. 8-25 to 8-30 As in Delhi 2. 8-30 Berlin ki Khabren. 8-45 to 9 As in Delhi 2. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Calcutta I—Programme

370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
(Add 24 minutes to all timings for Calcutta time.)

6 p.m. Chamn Misra. 6-15 Rangalal Gangull. 6-30 Gouri Dutt. 6-45 News in Bengali. 6-50 Anima Chakravarti, 6 News in English. 6-5 Anima Chakravarti. 6-20 For the rural and industrial areas. 7 Ila Ghose. 7-20 Tabla Lahara. 7-30 News in Hindustani. 7-50 Ila Ghose. 8 Parajoy. 8-40 Announcements in Bengali. 8-45 News in Bengali. 9 Gracia Coane. 9-15 Announcements in English. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

Hyderabad Programme

411 m., (730 kc/s)

7-30 to 8-45 For children. (1) Indian States (Gawalkar) by Mr. D. R. Saksena. (2) Doubt by Mr. H. Rehman. 7-45 New Methods of War on Land by Mr. F. M. Siddiqi. 8 News in Urdu. 8-20 News in English.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE

G. I. P. Railway.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 60
Peshawar Express	6-15	22-45
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-55	18-10
Calcutta Mail (via Chheoki)	9-30	20-15
Madras Express	10 15	14 30
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	12 30	17 40
Nagpur Express	15-00	21-00
Poona Express	19 30	08 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	07 00
Poona Fast Passenger	21 45	12 10

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

(Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.)

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 05
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	23 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
The Flying Ranee, Bulsar	*9 15	15 35
The Flying Ranee, Surat	*9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Monday)	10 58	00 00
The Flying Ranee, Surat (Except Saturday)	00 00	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	19 05	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 48	9 00

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, these trains will run on Tuesday.

3 per cent Defence Bonds (Previous Issues)	Rs. 44,85,72,200
3 per cent Second Defence Loan 1940/52 from 1st Feb. to 8th March	Rs. 2,79,27,800
INTEREST FREE DEFENCE BONDS: Subscriptions to March 8	
All-India	Rs. 2,32,31,000
Bombay City	Rs. 62,39,600
POST OFFICE TEN-YEAR DEFENCE SAVINGS CERTIFICATES Subscriptions to March 8	
All-India	Rs. 2,23,46,600
Bombay City	Rs. 27,17,610

Consumption Of Indian Cotton

The Indian Central Cotton Committee has issued the following statement of Indian cotton (pressed and unpressed) consumed in mills in India. (Based on returns made under the Indian Cotton Cess Act, 1923, by mills in British India and on voluntary returns from mills in Indian States):—

(In bales of 400 lbs. net.)

CONSUMPTION

British India during January 1941 255,997; during January 1940 221,804; since 1st September 1940 1,206,337; during the corresponding period last year 1,055,188.

Indian States during January 1941 56,425; during January 1940 46,750; since 1st September 1940 252,254; during the corresponding period last year 235,466.

Total—India during January 1941 312,422; during January 1940 268,551; since 1st September 1940 1,458,591; during the corresponding period last year 1,290,654.

N.B.—Due to corrections which have sometimes to be made in the figures previously published, the progressive totals shown in these statistics do not necessarily represent the sum of the latest month's figures and the progressive totals published in the preceding month.

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS.

	Bombay, March 14
Wheat May	0 3 0
Wheat September	0 6 6
Linseed May	0 5 0
Linseed September	0 11 0
Groundnut May	1 10 0
Castorseed May	2 0 0
Cottonseed May	1 0 0
Silver 1st settlement	0 5 0
Silver 2nd settlement	0 12 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 5 0
Gold 2nd settlement	0 12 0

Private Ownership Of Cotton To Cease At Liverpool

FUTURES MARKET LIKELY TO CLOSE

Improved Buying On New York Cotton Exchange

Bombay, March 14

The following cable received from Liverpool shows that important developments will take place with regard to the Liverpool cotton trade.

"The Ministry of Supply will take over all merchants' unsold cotton stocks on 1st April and all arrivals thereafter at current spot values. The Ministry generally is willing to take over merchants' contracts for unshipped and unlicensed cotton at the contract price plus reasonable charges subject to the availability of freight and satisfactory prices quality. Private ownership of raw cotton will thus cease at the end of March and distribution of all cotton to spinners will be arranged by the controller through the new merchanting company. The Ministry will assume price risk and fix the selling price to spinners. The futures market is also likely to close on 31st March with liquidation of outstanding contracts at values then ruling. The trade advises bulls to hold until the end in view of prospect of bullish Washington developments and technical strengthening of Liverpool in the probable absence of hedging or spinner's liquidation."

Cotton weather is unfavourable over the U. S. A. Belt. Acreage may be nearer 23 than 24 millions. Higher loan is virtually certain probably with revival of export subsidy, as it is believed that the Washington Government favours high internal price but lower export price in order to avert complete cessation of exports. Governmental Exports under Lease and Lend Act may anyway exceed commercial exports.

Mr. Garside estimates domestic consumption of all cotton in February at 772,000 bales. The average consumption per working day during February was 38,600 bales.

NEW YORK MARKET

Cotton buying was stimulated on the New York Cotton Exchange on Thursday by President Roosevelt's request for over 1,000,000,000 dollars for agricultural and industrial goods and the Lend and Lease Act. The New York market opened steady. Despite reports of heavy loan withdrawals, there was Mill, New Orleans and Bombay buying on the strength of Spot and textile markets with offerings limited to scale up hedging and Memphis selling. It is understood that additional shipment to Switzerland and Scandinavia are contemplated. Finally prices reacted partially on reports of freer offerings in the Eastern Belt. The market closed steady.

At the opening July was quoted one point up at 10.66. Prices fluctuated within a narrow range of 6 points. May highest being 10.73 and lowest 10.67. Distant months were in demand and the session closed at a net rise of 1 to 6 points. Spot cotton prices closed 2 points up at 11.02c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was fairly steady with moderate buying and closed at a rise of 2 to 8 points. Spot cotton prices improved 2 points at 10.75c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton market opened quiet and futures contracts were not quoted. Egyptians were steady. Uppers futures were one point up and Gizas were unchanged.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March 12:—

May highest (11-30 a.m.)	10.74+06
May lowest (10-12 a.m.)	10.62—07
Liverpool July highest	8.52
Liverpool July lowest	8.49
New York March 13:—	
May highest (11-50 a.m.)	10.73+06
May lowest (10 a.m.)	10.67
Liverpool July highest	8.51
Liverpool July lowest	8.51

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Market steady on trade and local buying. Small offerings.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 13

March	10.73+01
May	10.69+02
July	10.68+03
October	10.55+03
December	10.51+04
January	10.51+06
Middling Spot	11.02+02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, March 13

March	10.79+02
May	10.69+02
July	10.72
October	10.59+03
December	10.56+02
January	10.57+06
Middling Spot	10.75+02

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, March 13

11 a.m. ranges Noon call

The rates are not received.

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, March 13

	Bales
Day's receipts at all U S Ports	6,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil.
Day's exports to the Continent	nil.
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, March 13

March	8.49
May	8.50
July	8.51
October	8.45
December	8.42
January	8.41
Middling Spot	not received

11 A.M. QUOTATIONS

March	not received.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, March 14

Following a rise of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open to-day at Rs. 197 and at Rs. 200/8 for Broach A/M and J/A deliveries. But reports of possible closing of Liverpool cotton market at the end of the month encouraged active buying and the market opened firm and there was active buying by option dealers. Broach A/M opened at Rs. 199 and advanced to Rs. 201/8 while Broach J/A delivery opened at Rs. 203 and improved to Rs. 204/8. It may be said that possible closing of Liverpool market has nothing to do with the local buying, but the market is adjusting oversold state and lower prices in the local market will soon be in line with American cotton.

There was further buying and Broach A/M advanced to Rs. 202/8 and J/A was quoted Rs. 205/12. At this level there was some realising and Broach A/M declined to Rs. 201/8 and J/A was quoted at Rs. 204/4. Liverpool market opened unchanged and the local market was quietly steady with limited business. Later on there was general buying and prices advanced to Rs. 203/4 for Broach A/M and J/A was quoted at Rs. 206/8. There was persistent buying and Broach A/M advanced to Rs. 205/4. The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

F G M G BROACH:—			
April/May	Rs.	204	8 0
July/August		207	4 0
FINE M G OOMRA:—			
March		164	0 0
May		165	4 0
July		167	8 0
F G M G BENGAL:—			
March		130	12 0
May		130	4 0
July		131	8 0

COTTON TENDERS

Bombay, March 14

	To-day	Total
Bengal	200	3600
Oomra	1200	6530

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, March 14

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		135	133	131	129
M G Punjab		135	133	131	129
M G Rajputana		140	138	136	134
M G Oomra No. 3	170	167	164	161	
M G C P No. 1	195	192	189	186	
M G C P No. 2	179	176	173	160	
M G Broach No. 2		212	209	205	202

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS.

Bombay, March 14

Approx. quotations. Ready.	Delivery contract
Bengal Fine	128-31
Berar	156-63
C. P. 1	184-88
C. P. 2	166-71
Khandesh	136-43
Muglai	147-49 Mar.
Broach	+4
Punjab S.G. 289F	330-50
Punjab R.G. 289F	300-10
Punjab R.G. 4F	245-50

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, March 14

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY OF INDIAN COTTON

In full-pressed bales	12-3-41	Since 1st Sept. This year	Last year
Khandesh	1,532	90,759	48,730
Central India	1,808	111,045	80,271
Barsi and Nagar	.....	86,891	105,813
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	29,903	41,645
Berar	2,867	296,267	268,080
Central Provinces	713	60,306	67,291
Total Oomras	6,920	677,171	611,830
Dholeras	1,811	53,100	52,489
N W Provinces	.....	1,202	23,418
Rajputana	75	4,915	25,781
Sind-Punjab	10,779	388,339	296,914
Broach	3,411	35,903	230,453
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	33,732	15,904
Westerns-Northerns	101	34,114	17,156
Cocoanada	....	239	50
Tinnevelly and Cambodia	...	522	1,309
Total	23,097	1,229,237	1,277,704
Arrived by road to 6th March 1941	.....	188,133	204,358

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, March 14

Yesterday, London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/2 at New York.

London Spot silver was unchanged at 23 7/16d and forward quotation was raised 1/16d at 23 7/16d. There was very little business and the market was quiet but steady.

New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 3 5/16. London Bombay Spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62-8-0.

In the local market owing to settlement, fresh business was restricted and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. The tone of the market was steady and quotations were as under:

GOLD

Ready	Rs.	43 11	0
Fagan		43 11	0
Chaitra		43 12	0
Sovereigns		29 7	3

SILVER

Ready		63 2	0
Fagan		63 1	0
Chaitra		63 0	6

LONDON SILVER

London, March 13

Spot	23 7/16
Forward	23 7/15

LONDON GOLD

London, March 13

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£8-8-0

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, March 14

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	70	0 0
Copper sheets	Rs.	81	0 0

Tone:—Steady.

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below Liverpool May 398 penny points at exchange 1/6

Broach J/A below Liverpool July 391 penny points at exchange 1/6

Broach A/M below New York May 310 cent points at exchange 331

Broach J/A below New York July 295 cent points at exchange 331

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, March 12

Broach A/M highest 197 lowest 194 1/2 closing 196 3/4

Broach J/A highest 200 1/2 lowest 198 3/4 closing 200 1/4

Oomra March highest 158 lowest 155 1/2 closing 158

Oomra May highest 159 1/4 lowest 156 3/4 closing 159 1/4

Oomra July highest 161 1/4 lowest 159 1/2 closing 161 1/4

Bengal March highest 124 3/4 lowest 124 1/4 closing 124 3/4

Bengal May highest 125 1/4 lowest 124 1/2 closing 125 1/4

Bengal July highest 126 3/4 lowest 125 1/2 closing 126 3/4

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Liverpool, March 13

UPPERS:—	
March	10.42+1
May	10.43+1
July	10.44+1
October	10.39+1
January	10.39+1
GIZA:—	
March	11.10—0
May	11.09—0
July	11.05—0
October	11.07—0
January	11.07—0

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

F P Bales	1940-41	1939-40
Receipts to date 13-3-41	3030000	6686000
Receipts yesterday 13-3-41	6000	7000
Export to date 13-3-41	780000	5220000
Stock at Ports 7-3-41	3463000	2951000
Stock at Interior Towns 7-3-41	3107000	2732000
Stock at Liverpool 7-3-41	.....	.....
Visible Supply 7-3-41	.....	.....
Quantity in sight 7-3-41	9100000	11768000
Quantity out of sight 7-3-41	.....	.....

LONDON RUBBER

London, March 13

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb buyer	13 11/16

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 7th March 1941:—

LIABILITIES	Rs.	As.
CAPITAL:—		
Authorised—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Issued and Subscribed— 2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Called up—75,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid	3,75,00,000	
1,50,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, Rs. 125 paid	1,87,50,000	5,62,50,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders—Rs. 375 per share on 1,50,000 shares	5,62,50,000	
Reserve Fund		5,62,50,000
Fixed deposits, Savings Bank, Current and other accounts		95,76,13,000
Loans against Securities per contra		
Acceptances for Constituents		
Sundries		61,26,000
RUPEES		107,62,39,000

ASSETS	Rs.	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—		
Government securities	47,66,70,000	
Other authorised investments	1,00,67,000	48,67,37,000
ADVANCES:—		
Loans	8,26,73,000	
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	23,15,66,000	
Bills discounted and Purchased	4,40,50,000	35,82,89,000
Liability of Constituents for Acceptances per contra		
Dead Stock		1,81,39,000
Sundries		65,22,000
Bullion		
CASH:—		
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	19,38,30,000	
Balances with other Banks	1,27,22,000	20,65,52,000
RUPEES		107,62,39,000

Position Of Scheduled Banks

Statement of the position of scheduled banks as at the close of business on 7th March:—

1. Demand Liabilities:		
(a) In India	169,16,25,000	
(b) In Burma	8,82,87,000	
2. Time Liabilities:		
(a) In India	101,22,02,000	
(b) In Burma	3,91,41,000	
3. Cash:		
i) Currency Notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes.		
(a) In India	6,40,53,000	
(b) In Burma	90,000	
ii) Burma Notes:		
(a) In India	24,000	
(b) In Burma	48,12,000	
iii) Rupee Coin:		
(a) In India	1,30,21,000	
(b) In Burma	1,24,000	
iv) Subsidiary Coin:		
(a) In India	33,15,000	
(b) In Burma	35,000	
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	42,08,63,000	
5. Advances:		
(a) In India	109,94,06,000	
(b) In Burma	5,87,25,000	
6. Bills Discounted:		
(a) In India	5,68,61,000	
(b) In Burma	17,26,000	

Comparative statement of the position of scheduled banks:—

(In thousand Rupees)

	7-3-1941	28-2-1941	8-3-1940	1-9-1939
1. Demand Liabilities in India	177,99,12	177,38,92	144,78,14	141,39,78
& Burma	(8,82,87)	(8,92,89)	(7,42,45)	(7,03,29)
2. Time liabilities in India	105,13,43	105,05,33	109,34,40	106,46,46
& Burma	(3,91,41)	(3,78,83)	(3,79,89)	(4,22,12)
3. Total cash in India	8,54,74	8,56,87	6,36,87	7,29,82
& Burma	(50,61)	(55,30)	(23,21)	(59,37)
4. Balances with Reserve Bank	42,08,63	44,40,17	14,58,23	25,27,75
5. Advances in India	115,81,30	114,71,82	153,29,96	105,65,08
& Burma	(5,87,25)	(5,58,19)	(5,17,73)	(4,12,92)
6. Bills discounted in India	5,85,87	5,87,66	6,30,59	3,86,74
& Burma	(17,26)	(16,47)	(31,07)	(29,45)

(Burma figures are shown in brackets).

COLOMBO QUOTATIONS

Colombo: March 14.

Rubber 55 1/2 sheet, 55 crepe. Yesterday's closing same. Copra 34.00. Cocoanut oil F.O.B. 22,500 nominal.

Share Market: Miyanawita Tea 10, Richalands Tea 10, Uplands Tea 10 3/4, Periyar Rubber 5, Udabageta Rubber 26, Craiglands Tea Rubber 10, Saffragam Rubber Tea 94.

Commercial Companies: Nuwaraliya Hotels 12, and 'A' and 'E' Motor Transport 17.

Rupee Cocoanut Companies: Arcadiya Cocoanut 7 1/4.—A. P.

Precious Metals

Bombay, March 14

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals:

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 68 per tola Elephant Brand

Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 67 per tola Elephant Brand.

Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 20 per tola Anchor Brand.

Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 50 per tola

Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 200 per tola

Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 70 per tola

Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 90 per tola

Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 250 per tola

PEPPER & GINGER.

Bombay, March 14.

The Pepper and Ginger Merchants' Association, Ltd.:—

Pepper ready Alleppey per candy	Rs.	80	0 0
Pepper Chaitra Sud 15 per candy		80	12 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15 per candy		83	8 0
Ginger bleached per cwt		15	8 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15 per cwt		14	8 0
Ginger Vaishakh Sud 15 per cwt		15	0 0

LONDON SEEDS

London, March 13

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe March/ April quoted	20/4 1/2
Wheat Barletta Russo March/ April quoted	20/1 1/2
Wheat South Australian March/ April quoted	26/6

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, March 13

T T London on:	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
Madrid	40.50
Montreal	4.43/4.47
Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	16.85/16.95

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 13

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70 1/2
Indian stocks 3 per cent 1948	£88 1/2
Indian stocks 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£99
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£77 5/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£103 1/2
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£104 1/8
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£114
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£111
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£8 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Register)	£75
National Bank of India	£31 3/4

New Great Mill Shares Look Up

STEEL SHARES REACT AFTER EARLY RISE

Market Feeling Moderately Bullish

Bombay, March 14

The local share bazar was fairly firm today with active buying soon after the opening and prices hardened all-round but later on there was scattered realising which was well absorbed by scale-down buying and the tone of the market was very steady. As compared with the previous close there were irregular minor changes and the spurt in raw cotton imparted better feeling.

Rallying animation was absent on Wall Street market on Thursday, where fractional gains and losses were mostly well balanced with numerous issues unchanged. The session closed barely steady. Selling was light but bidding was apathetic with rumours and additional overcounter offerings keeping potential traders to the side lines. U. S. Steel shares closed 1 5/8 down at 57 and Anaconda Copper Mining shares closed 1/4 down at 24 1/8 dollars.

The general feeling in the local market remains moderately bullish based on better industrial outlook and considerable ease of money. Large sums are lying idle seeking employment but in view of wide differences between cash and forward quotations operators remain cautious. The recent rise may be followed by moderate recession on realising but lower levels will attract increased buying. Thus the long range outlook remains constructive.

Tata Steel Defds advanced to-day to Rs. 2060 and later steadied at Rs. 2030. Ordinary shares after advancing to Rs. 396 reacted to Rs. 393. Kohinoors were steady at Rs. 428 and Bombay Dyeings stood at Rs. 1128. There was considerable buying in New Great Mill shares. There was scarcity of offerings in Gokaks while Swan and Finlay were in demand. Indian Bleaching were also steady. Leading shares failed to record any marked improvement but market professionals were busy buying sidelines in the textile group.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, March 14

Bombay Dyeing (1117/8) 1127 1130 1125 1130 1125 1128 1126

Century (697/8) 404 406 402 404 403 401

Central India (319) 324 326 322/8 325 323 321/8

Kohinoor (429) 434 433 434 428 429 427 431 429 428

New Great (443) 450 457 455 457 456 455

Simplex (109/8) 111 112 111/8

Swadeshi (298/8) 303 301 302 300/8

Associated Cement (146/8) 146/8 147 146 144/8

Andhra (1842/8) 1842/8

Tram Ord (134) 134/8

Tata Hydro (185) 185

Tata Power (1615) 1612 1621 1615 1622

T Steel Defd (2030) 2045 2050 2040 2035 2040 2035 2037 2031

T Steel Ord (393) 395 396 394 395 393 394 392/8

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (148/8) 149

Bellapur (216) 218 219 217/8 218

B Steam (325) 322

B Burma (563/12) 570 562 568 565 562/8

TEXTILE SHARES

Bombay, March 14.

100 Ahm. Advance		270	10
250 BOMBAY DYEING		1126	4
100 CENTURY		401	0
100 CENTRAL INDIA		321	8
100 COLABA		180	0
100 Coorla		146	0
250 Davld		37	8
250 Dawn		3-7	8
1 E. D. Sassoon Def.		0 14	3
100 FINLAY		194	0
100 GOKAK		232	8
1000 Hindustan		2000	0
100 Indore		65	0
100 Khatau		152	8
100 KOHINOOR X.D.		428	0
250 LAXMI		542	8
100 MORARJI		239	0
200 Model		76	0
50 MYSURE X.D.		140	0
200 NEW GREAT		455	0
100 Osmanshai		52	0
100 Phoenix		266	0
25 Sassoon Silk		88	0
1000 Sholapur		2790	0
50 SIMPLEX		111	8
100 SWADESHI		300	8
100 SWAN		195	0
500 Vishnu		1350	0
1000 Western		1165	0
BANKS			
50-100 BARODA X.D.		108	8
25-50 CENTRAL		42	14
500 IMPERIAL		1550	0
125-500 Imp. Contrys.		835	0
50-100 India X.D.		143	12
100 RESERVE BANK		105	0
5 UNION X.D.		6 6	6
CEMENTS			
100 ASSOCIATED		144	8
INSURANCE			
100 Empire		652	8
15-100 JUPITER		13	10
20 Mercantile		66	0
15-75 NEW INDIA		41	8
200 Oriental		3950	0
10-50 Vulcan		8	6
ELECTRIC			
100 AHMD. OLD X.D.		185	0
1000 ANDHRA VALLEY		1842	8
10 AJMER		12	8
50 BOMBAY TRAM		134	8
100 Bombay Suburban		160	0
10 Broach		14	0
100 Karachi		213	12
100 Poona		215	0
100 Surat		182	8
1000 TATA HYDRO		188	0
1000 TATA POWER		1622	8
RAILWAYS			
500 Ahmedabad Prantij X.D.		815	0
100 C. Province		105	0
100 Dhond Baramati		104	4
100 Gujarat X.D.		100	6
100 Mandra Bhon		103	8
100 Pachora Jamner		63	8
100 Sara Sirajgunj		106	8
500 Tapti Valley		662	8
MININGS			
9 Burma Corporation X.D.		4 15	
2sh. Indian Copper		2 1	6
10 Indian Iron and Steel		31	10
10 SHIVRAJPUR		37	0
30 TATA STEEL DEF.		2031	4
75 TATA STEEL ORD.		392	8
10 Steel Corporation		19	7
MISCELLANEOUS			
100 ALCOCK		575	0
10 Air Service		3	8
50 BELAPUR SUGAR		218	0
200 Bombay Safe Dep.		595	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM		322	0
125 B. BURMA		562	8
50 B. Burma Cont.		187	8
8sh. Br. B. Petrol		3 6	9
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE		86	0
100 IND. BLEACHING		144	0
50 Ind. Invest Trust		48	4
100 Ind. Radio Def		506	4
100 Indian Radio Ord.		512	8
100 Port Canning		87	8
30 PREMIER CON. X.D.		94	8
15 SCINDIA		22	1
25 Tata Oil		41	8
100 Wimco		205	0
PREFERENCE			
7 p.c. Andhra Valley		1545	0
7 p.c. Bombay Steam		315	0
7 p.m. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X.D.		76	12
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)		638	12
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 1st X.D.		115	14
6 1/4 p.c. Prem Const. 2nd X.D.		109	0
7 p.c. Tata Hydro		156	4
7 1/2 p.c Tata Power		1582	8
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st		213	12
7 1/2 p.c. Tata Steel 2nd		149	8
7 p.c. Vishnu		741	4
DEBENTURES			
5 3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley		101	4
6 p.c. Andhra Valley		101	4
4 p.c. Bom Telephone		51	8
5 p.c. Sholapur		76	4
6 p.c. Tata Hydro		100	4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 13

The Stock Exchange was very quiet. A small amount of routine selling caused occasional dullness, but the undertone remains steady. Giltedged were a trikle easier but Home Rails improved on provincial enquiry. Industrials were narrowly irregular and Oils easier. Kaffirs ruled steady unaffected by the Budget. Brazilians were supported. Wall Street dull.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

Bombay: March 14.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Yarn No.	April	June	August
6 1/2s.	128	129	130
10 1/2s.	153	154	155
20 1/2s.	218 1/2	220	222
40s.	289	291	293

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, March 14

The market staged a rise in the early part of the session but later shed its gain closing with a steady tone. Tata Deferred opened steady at 1950 and on impressive buying went up to 1960 but later declined on profit-taking closing finally at 1935. Tata Ordinaries similarly opened better at 384-8 and advanced to 386 but closed at 382. Textiles were ruling steady. Bombay Dyeings being quoted at 1080. Indian Iron evoked some buying interest and were finally quoted at 31-8.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1945) 1950 1960 1935

Tata Ordinaries (383) 384-8 386 382

Tata Ordinary 382; Tata Deferred 1935; Indian Iron 31/10; Bombay Dyeing 1080; Century 385; Central India 298/2; Kohinoor 410; Associated Cement 140; Bombay Burma 537/8; Scindia Steam 22/2; Tata Hydro 181/14; Reserve Bank 105; Imperial Bank F P 1535; Central Bank 43; Bank of India 144; 3 1/2 per cent Paper 95/10.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, March 14.

2 3/4 per cent 1948/52 Loan	96-14
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	95-10
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	100-14
3 per cent 1951/54 Bonds	99-2
3 per cent 1963-65 Loan	95
3 1/2 per cent 1947/50 Loan	102-4
4 per cent 1960-70 Loan	108-11
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	104-10
3

Auction Sales

GANDHI & CO.
Government Auctioneers.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES AT VILE PARLE.

Messrs. GANDHI & CO., Auctioneers will, under instructions from The Court Receiver, High Court, Bombay and the Receiver appointed in High Court Suit No. 37 of 1938 (Aishabai v/s Hawabai) sell by Public Auction the undermentioned Valuable Immovable Properties on SATURDAY, the 29th March, 1941, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) on the Premises.

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FIRSTLY—ALL those pieces of land admeasuring about 1265 square yards together with the building thereon situate at Ville Parle.

(a) Survey No. 19 Pot No. 29 (2 Gunthas) and (b) Survey No. 19 Pot No. 29 (8½ Gunthas) and bounded on the East by Inamdar Gurya Moro's ground on the West by Survey No. 19 Pot No. 29 on the North by Survey No. 19 Pot No. 28 on the South by Survey No. 18 being land belonging to Inamdar and bearing Town Planning Scheme No. 1 and Plot No. 80.

SECONDLY—ALL that piece of land with the dwelling house situate at Ville Parle admeasuring 625 square yards or thereabouts and bearing final Plot No. 80A of Town Planning Scheme No. 1 and registered under No. 5 and bounded as follows: On the East partly by the remaining property of the vendor and partly by the property of Hiralal Bukoredas on the West by the property of Mohanlal Dayal on the North by the public road known as Hanuman road and on the South by the property formerly belonging to Hemchand Mohanlal Zaveri.

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Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company, and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act No. IX of 1890. Messrs. MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction at the risk of the owners on MONDAY, the 31st March, 1941, at 2 p.m. (S.T.) at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot booked and unbooked articles and unclaimed bags of Grain, Wheat, Castorseeds, Cotton sweepings, Iron packages, etc., etc.

A descriptive list of booked consignments on which freight and wharfage charges are due can be seen on the Office Notice Boards in the Goods Shed, at Carnac Bridge Depot, and at important stations, on the Broad Gauge section of the B. B. and C. I. Railway.

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AUCTION SALE OF FURNITURE SAFES, ETC.

Under instructions from the Court Receiver in Suit No. 1900 of 1940 (Habibabai v/s Sugra Begum) Messrs. BENNETT & Co., will sell by public auction on MONDAY, 17th March, 1941, at 3 P. M. (S.T.) at No. 44 Islampura Street, near Gol Pitha, the undermentioned:—

4 Safes, cupboards, beds, book cases, clocks, drawing room suites, washable top tables, harmonium, roll top writing table, table and ceiling fans, books, rich crockery plated and glassware and a big lot of copper utensils, etc.

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LAMINGTON

NEW YORK COTTON SIXTEEN POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICE

JULY 1941

New York: March 14.

Previous closing	10.68
To-day's opening	10.74
Difference	+6
To-day's closing	10.84
Difference	+16

BROACH EXPECTATION

Broach April/May	Rs. 206/0
Broach July/August	Rs. 208/12

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1941.

Liverpool: March 14.

Previous closing	8.49
To-day's opening not received	
To-day's closing	8.58
Difference	+9

NEW YORK COTTON

New York: March 14.

New York cotton displayed bright sentiment encouraged by Bombay and Liverpool cables and prices throughout were fairly well maintained on steady flow of buying orders from trade and mill interests.

Trading in July began at 10.74, that is, 6 points higher. Prices improved on trade and mill buying with steadiness of spot and Textiles inducing optimistic feeling while useful outside support also appeared.

The following are to-day's opening ranges in New York cotton:—

March (10.72/72) 10.77/76
May (10.68/67) 10.75/75
July (10.66/66) 10.74/74

The following are opening rates on Liverpool cotton market:—

American March (8.50) 8.55
American May (8.51) 8.56
Egyptian Giza March (11.09) 11.09
Egyptian Giza May (11.06) 11.08

LONDON COMMODITIES

London: March 14.

Castorseeds January February unquoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta February March (£18 9/16 quoted) £18 9/16 quoted
Linseed La Plata March (£11 5/16 quoted) £11 5/16 quoted
Groundnuts Coromandal February March (£17 1/4 quoted) £17 1/4 quoted

JUTES

Dundee March (£45) £45
Lightning March (£40) £40

RUBBER

Spot (13 11/16d paid and buyers) 13 13/16d paid.
Forward July September (13 13/16d paid and value) 14d paid and sellers.

LONDON METALS

Tin (£269 buyers; £270 sellers. Steady) £269 1/4 buyers; £269 3/4 sellers. Steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

Madras: March 14.

On the Stock Exchange the prominence has been taken by the Planting group, especially the Tea shares, wherein a large turnover was possible. The market was also conspicuous by the entire absence of any business in Textiles. Securities remained steady and so also Miscellaneous issues. Sugars were dull and Papers uninteresting.

Transactions reported from 12 noon yesterday to 12 noon to-day were:—

Bank of Mysore 285, Indian Overseas 50/6 Indo-Commercial 'B' 23, India 30/8, D. M Midlands 5/1, 5/2. Travancores 9, Kalpetta 18/2, 13/4, Chembras 3/7, Fringfords 7/10. Rajagiri 5/3, High Land 29, 29/4, Peermade 27/8, Miamally Prefs 25/4, Thirumbadi 1/14 Tropicals 19, Udayagiri 6 Manalurs 4/9, Cochin Malabar ord 6/10, B B Rubbers 5/8 South Madras Electrics 1st Prefs 13/4, West Coasts ord 5/2 s l; Karaikal 33/12, Mysore Spuns 8/4 s l. Mysore Chemicals 17/2. Mettur Chemicals ord 9/9, 9/9/6, India Sugars 9/12, Mysore Stoneware 8/4, Bruntons 8/7 s l.

N. Y. K. LINE

BOMBAY JAPAN VIA PORTS

Steamers.	Arrive Bombay	Leave Bombay
LISBON MARU	4 Mar.	20 Mar.
*ANYO MARU	21 Mar.	3 Apr.
TOYOOKA MARU	15 Apr.	30 Apr.
ONOE MARU	30 Mar.	14 Apr.
*HAKONE MARU	27 Apr.	11 May
GENOA MARU	16 May	31 May
OKITU MARU	26 May	10 June

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EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York: March 14

Previous closing	4.03 1/2
To-days closing	4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London: March 14.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London: March 14.

T. T. London on Paris not quoted

LONDON SILVER CABLE

London: March 14.

The following cable was received from London:—

Market was quietly steady

LONDON SILVER

London: March 14.

Spot 23 7/16d) 23 1/2d +1/16
Forward (23 7/16d) 23 7/16d Nil

LONDON GOLD

London: March 14.

London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0

LONDON EXCHANGES

London: March 14.

London Exchange opened with the sterling dollar at 4.02.50 to 4.03.50 which is officially fixed rate.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1s 6) 1s
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.35) 30.35
London on Shanghai (0-3 7/32 to 0-3 17/32) 0-3 7/32 to 0-3 17/32
London on Kobe (1s 2 to 1s 1/2) 1s 2 to 1s 1/2

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent

BULLION AND SEEDS

Bombay: March 14.

There was no trading during the night session.

LINSEED & WHEAT

Bombay, March 14

Linseed May	5 2 9
Linseed September	5 6 3
Wheat May	3 13 3
Wheat September	3 14 3

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED

Bombay: March 14.

B I S N Coy's American s s Illinorian of 4117 reg tons Capt F H Bain arrived from Baltimore with general cargo.

LOADING

The following vessels are booked for loading on 14th March 1941:—

Swedish s s Vasaland.
Panamian s s Caltex (2).

IMPORTS

Bombay: March 14.

216 bags copra, 120 bags betelnuts, 3411 bgs cocoanuts, 41 bags turmeric, 198 bgs ginger, 50 bdls steel sheet, 33 bdls glass ware, 99 bdls, M S rounds, 2153 bags mash, 132 c/s M I shaftings, 159 c/s coffee, 289 bgs sardines, 62 theileys fish manure, 47 pcs M S boiler plates and parts, 57 pcs Panyon squares, 67 pcs Eng squares, 85 pcs Gurjan wood, 577 pcs cast iron, 89 c/s bolts and nuts 647 bdls Pymkadee short scantlings, 1008 pcs Padank wood, 12836 bdls wet dates, 2280 bgs dry dates, 3973 bls cotton, 40 jottas coir yarn, 54 dms sheep skins, 218 pkgs dry fruits, 170111 pcs and bdls teak wood.

EXPORTS

Bombay: March 14.

1333 bags grdnut kernals The Oilseeds Trading Co Ltd; 500 tons manganese ore Shivrajpur Syndicate Ltd; 29 bls cotton yarn H M Ghazanfar; 22 bls cotton prints Cox and Kings (Agents) Ltd; 400 bags gum Mepani Bros; 334 bags gum N Muiji and Co; 266 bags gum M Kantilal; 558 bags gum S D Dharsi; 1600 bls raw cotton Japan Ctn Trading Co Ltd; 300 bls raw cotton Vasanjee Morarjee; 200 bls raw cotton C Jethabhai and Co; 700 bls raw cotton R Parsrampuria and Co; 700 bls raw cotton Narsee Nageee and Co; 200 bls raw cotton The Podar Trading Co Ltd; 66 bags gum Nemchand Premchand and Co; 100 bls raw cotton Shamji Karamsi and Co; 100 bls raw cotton The Universal Cotton Trading Co; 100 bis raw cotton Nissho Co Ltd.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

Karachi: March 14.

To-day's closing quotations:—

Cotton Sind March 14/7, May 14/10/6, Punjab March 13/8/6, May 13/10/6; American March 25/5/9, May 24/15/6. Strong.

Wheat March 32/3, July 27/14/3. Strong.

Gram July 24/9.

Toria March 33/5, May 33/14, July 34/7.

Cottonseed March 16/6/3, May 16/10, July 16/15/7

3 1/2 P.C. STERLING LOAN

London: March 14.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £99

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: March 14.

London Stock Exchange was generally dull to-day.

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London: March 14.

5 per cent 1958/68 (£104 3/4) £104 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£77 5/8) £77 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£103 1/2) £103 1/2
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99) £99
4 per cent Funding Loan (£114) £114 1/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loans (£104 1/8) £104 1/8
New War Loan (£100 3/8) £100 3/8
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£111) £111

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (10 9) 11 1 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (32-6) 32-7 1/2
Hydro Electric No dealings
Electric Music Industry (7-7 1/2) 7-6
Princhin Johnson (18-6) 18 6
Imperial Chemicals (28-10 1/2) 28-6.
Woolsworth New Ordinary (48 6) 48
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1939 (£49) £50
Dundee Rubber (31 3) 31-9
Unilever Ordinary (22-6) 22-6
Ford Motors (17-7 1/2) 17-7 1/2
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£60) £60 1/2
British African Tobacco Ordinary (86 3) 86-3
Carreas A' (£3 3/4) £3 3/4
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (91-3) 91-3
P and O Def (21 1 1/2) 21-7 1/2
Distillers (61 3) 61 6
Bredfords Dye (3-1 1/2) 3-1 1/2
British Celanese (3-3) 3-3
J and P Coates Ordinary (27 9) 27-10 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (26-9) 27-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (14-7 1/2) 14 7½
Inter Nickel Ordinary (dol 39-1 1/2) dol 39-1 1/2.
Indian Iron (44-4 1/2) 44-4 1/2

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (17-9) 17-9
Donaro Tea (30 3) 30-3
Empire of India (21 10 1/2) 21-10 1/2

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Barnagore (£8) £8

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (14-4 1/2) 14 4 1/2
Gula Kelampong (15-9) 15 9
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (25-3) 25-3

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (18-9) 18-9
Burma Corporation (7-0) 7-0
Rio Tintos (£7 1/2) £7 1/2
East Rand Properties (40) 40-0
Rand Mines (£6 3/8) £6 3/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£11 3/4) £11 3/4
Associated Portland Cement 50-7 1/2
Trinidad Leasehold (63-1 1/2) 63 1 1/2
Sub Nigel (£7 1/8) £7 1/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Union Corporation (£7) £7

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (25-3) 25-3
Anglo India (34-4 1/2) 34-4 1/2
Burma Oil (50-7 1/2) 50 7 1/2
Mexican Eagle (7-7 1/2) 7-6
Shell Transport (42-6) 42-6
Royal Dutch (£17 1/2) £17 1/2

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£31 3/4) £32 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£11 7/8) £12 3/8
London North Eastern Def (£1 5/8) £1 5/8
London Southern Def (£9 7/8) £10 1/8
London Transport 5 per cent (£119) £119
London Transport 'C' (£32) £32

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York: March 14.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices were:—

General Motors dol 43 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 24 1/4
U S Steel Corpn Common dol 67 3/8
U S Steel Preference unquoted.

Raw Cotton Situation

Bombay: March 14.

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co. have issued the following report:—

After many weeks of minor fluctuations we can at last report a change in values in all markets. The cause of the advance was two-fold: expectations of a higher loan for next season in America, and the passing of the Lease and Lend Bill. In all probability no definite announcement will be made regarding the next season's loan for several months and in the meantime we shall hear many rumours. From the information received, however, from the more reliable sources we think there is some justification in expecting a higher loan level, but not so high as some people would lead us to believe The passing of the Lease and Lend Bill is of the greatest importance. It not only means that America is now virtually in the war, but from a cotton point of view it means production on a scale unprecedented in history. These two factors should bring about a gradual but eventual higher level of prices.

The local market has advanced in sympathy with America and also on its own merits, because for a long time now the price was being kept at a level lower than it should have been owing to the uncertainties in the Far Eastern political situation. Indian cotton this season can be divided into two distinct classes—the desirable and the undesirable, and while statisticians are increasing their estimates for the total crop consumers are vying with each other in the premium they are paying to procure suitable styles for their requirements.

As the season progresses more and more interest will be taken in the Broach contract. The premium of all stapled cotton based on Broach is extremely high and it is now a question whether the contract itself will advance or not. If there was a plentiful supply of cotton to protect the contract we should say that the basis of the better styles would increase still further, but from what we can learn of the bulk of the Broach crop we are coming to the conclusion that not only will the contract advance, but that we may eventually see a squeeze in it brought about by an oversold position and a scarcity of tenderable cotton

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, March 14

Castorseeds May—		
Opening	Rs. 32	0 0
Highest	32	12 0
Lowest	32	0 0
Closing	32	8 0
Cottonseeds May—		
Opening	20	1 0
Highest	20	5 6
Lowest	20	1 0
Closing	20	4 4
Groundnuts May—		
Opening	28	12 0
Highest	29	5 9
Lowest	28	12 0
Closing	29	2 0

AROUND THE COURTS

Attempt To Rob Jeweller's Clerk

A Jeweller's clerk entered Mumbadevi Post Office at about 4-p.m. yesterday with about Rs. 11,000 worth of gold, to be despatched from Bombay. He kept the gold parcel on the counter with a view to affix some stamps on it, when his attention was drawn by somebody to a postage stamp which he had dropped on the ground. The clerk bent down to retrieve the stamp when the man who had drawn his attention made a grab at the gold parcel and ran out of the Post Office.

The clerk chased the man upto Narayan Dhuru Road and got him arrested.

The arrested person is Ramachandra Vithal and Mr. Coelho, Esplanade Court Magistrate, ordered his remand to police custody.

"Wives" Palmed Off

In the course of police investigations it was discovered that some persons operating round about Bombay gathering poor girls and selling them to the highest bidder, either for marriage or for just living as man and wife.

Four persons have been arrested by the Police so far in this connection. The men are: Puralal Bheralal, Dulchand Desraj, Ramnarain Beraji and Deokisan Korsandas.

The men put up for remand before Mr. M. A. F. Coelho Esplanade Police Court, who ordered them to be released on bail.

Agricultural And Industrial College For Ajmer

The Arya Samaj Education Society Ajmer has undertaken the task of raising the present D. A. V High School at Ajmer to the status of an Intermediate Agricultural and Industrial College.

It is proposed that the College should impart training in dry-farming. Vegetable gardening, horticulture, manuring and dairy-farming. The aim is not to produce mere "Experts", but to give training in agriculture to the sons of agriculturists in the natural surroundings of the village Other subjects like History, Georgraphy, Mathematics Botany and Zoology, will be taught to the extent to which it is necessary to teach them for imparting the knowledge of the craft. There will be a course of manufacture and repair of simple implements of machinery used on the farm.

The industrial courses of study will include manufacture of cheap articles of every day use e.g. soaps, oils, inks, buttons, etc., etc. Besides there will be a regular course in such crafts as carpentry, tin smithy, industrial chemistry, ceramics, metal enamelling, etc., etc.

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Total Units Generated

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10th Week (ended March 11th)

1939	10,941,600
1940	7,634,600
1941	20,065,600

Total for 10 Weeks (1st January to date)

1939	136,245,300
1940	144,081,700
1941	79,101,800

Sugar Market

Bombay, March 14

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:
From Bond Rs. 10-8-0
Shipment March Rs. 9 8 0 F B H
Indian sugars ready:
Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-0-0 to 14 8-0
Ready (large grain) Rs 14-9-0 to 15-6-0
Tone Steady.

WALL STREET MARKET.

New York March 13

Messrs. Bativala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:

	Dollars
Amr Pow and Lt 5 per cent Pfd	34
Amr For Pow 5 per cent Pfd 2030	55 1/8
Amr For Pow 7 per cent Pfd	15 3/4
Electric Pow and Lt 5 per cent Pfd	32
Electric Bond and Share Common	3 1/4
Electric Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	54 1/8
Columbia Gas and Electric	4
Int Tel and Tel 1952	42
Amr Tel and Tel	164
Sun Life of Canada	190
Western Union Telegraph	20 3/4
Union Pacific	77 3/4
Great Northern Pfd	23
New York Central R R	12 5/8
American Tobacco 'B'	68 1/4
Standard Brands	6 1/4
United States Steel	57
Beth'chem Steel	78
Crucible Steel	40 3/4
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	20
Republic Steel	18 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining	24 1/8
Chrysler Motors	66
General Motors	43 1/4
Socony	5 1/2
Consolidated Oil	15 1/2
St. Oil of N. J	35 1/2
Texas Corporation	35 1/4
Woolworth	30 1/8
Chase National Bank	31 1/4
National City Bank of New York	26 3/4

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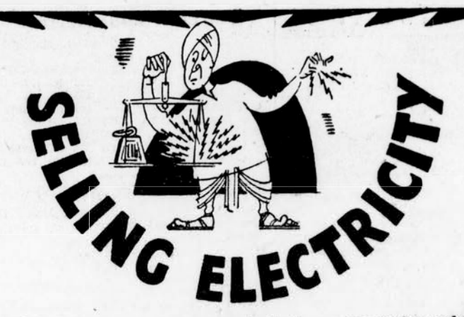

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All-India Daily Weather Summary

POONA: March 14.

Scattered thunder-showers have occurred in and around Kashmir. Murree reports 1/2 an inch and Dras one quarter of an inch of rain.

Temperature have fallen generally along the North-West Frontier and in West Punjab, but are still above normal over those regions.

Temperatures are also unusually high in North Bombay, Deccan and Hyderabad.—A. P

WESTERN INDIA NATIONAL LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

Under the auspices of the Western India National Liberal Association Dr. G. S. Mahajani, M.L.C., will deliver a public lecture on "The Problem of Minorities—Constitutional Democracy as a solution to the Pakistan Danger" at the Blavatsky Lodge Hall, Chaupatty, to-day (Saturday) at 6 p.m. Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad will preside.

Municipal School Children's Health Day

The Municipal School Children's Health Day organized by Dr. V. R. Bhoosrath will be celebrated under the auspices of the Public Health Department, Bombay Municipality under the presidentship of Mr. Gordhandas Gokuldas Morarji, J.P., Chairman, Standing Committee on Sunday, the 16th March at 5 p.m. (S.T.). on the Gilder Tank Maidan, near Grant Road Station.

MR. CHINIWALA'S LECTURE AT JOGESHWARI

The ceremony of observing the 18 days of Parvardegan, according to the Radi Society's Calendar, began on 10th inst. and will continue till 27th inst. at the Behram Baug, Estate, at Jogeshwari. A special programme is fixed for to-morrow (Sunday). At 7-30 a.m. there will be Jashan ceremony followed by joint prayer at 9 a.m. Then Mr. Jehangir S. Chiniwala will deliver a lecture on "Ideal Yozdathregar, a Supreme 'Atat' of Zoroastrianism" under the presidency of Dasturji Dinsha Garda.

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Hindu: Fagan Vad 2, 1997
Muslim: Safar 19, 1360
Parsi: Meher 12, 1310
Hightide: 00-58; 13-24
Lowtide: 7-6; 19-14
Sunrise: 6h. 49m.
Sunset: 6h. 48m.

BANDRA COSMO CIRCLE

A debate will be held in the hall of the above circle to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. on "We should live frivolously" Mr. V. A. da Silva will preside.

MYSORE ASSOCIATION

At 32, Bhau Daji Rd., Matunga, dinner at 11-30 a.m. (S.T.) to-morrow (Sunday), in connection with "Vastuk" of the first floor.

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

A meeting of Voluntary Supervisors will be held at 4-30 p.m. to-day (Saturday) in Children's Home, Children's Aid Society, Umarkhadi

"PANCHAM" JAINS

The Government of Bombay has directed that the "Pancham" Jains of the Deccan should be classified as "Intermediate" for the purposes of recruitment to Government service.

MOGAVEERA F. N. HIGH SCHOOL

The annual athletic sports of the above school will be held on Sunday, 16th inst. at 7-30 a.m. at the Cooperage (W.I.F.A. Ground).

BAND AT VICTORIA GARDENS

The Band of the Bombay City Police will play a programme of music at Victoria Gardens, Byculla, to-day (Saturday) commencing from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. (S.T.).

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—Sadhona Bose's Dances. Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Tin Pan Alley" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Comrade X" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Pastor Hall" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Dance Girl, Dance" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
PATHE—"Radhika" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
ROXY—"Bandhan" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
WEST END—"Ghar Jawai" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
MINERVA—"Virginia" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Daily at 5, 7-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Pardesi" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Padosi" Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
EDWARD—"Virginia City" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
HINDMATA—"Qaidi-Qaidi" Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee 2 p.m.
PALACE—"Untamed" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"The Kick" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee at 1-15 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Raj Nartaki" Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee at 1-30 p.m.

LECTURE ON VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY

Swami Sambuddhananda of the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, will deliver his third introductory lecture on Vedanta Philosophy (Brahma Sutras) at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, to day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.)

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN LECTURES

The next lecture under the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan will take place at 4 p.m. to day (Saturday) at the University Buildings (Ground Floor, South Wing), on "Apabhramsh" (in English). Speaker: Prof. Dr. Mantlal Patel, Ph.D. (Marburg).

PRABHU JOLLY CRICKETERS

In aid of the Prabhu Jolly Cricketers a dramatic performance "Saishaikalbol," will be staged to-day (Saturday) at 3-30 p.m. at the Bombay Theatre. His Highness Maharana Saheb of Dharampur will preside.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT

That "Provision of work and not of Leisure should be the aim of economic planning" will be the subject of a public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, today (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. Miss Doris Da Silva will preside.

PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting to celebrate the 106th anniversary of Swami Shree Ramkrishna Paramhansa will be held on the 16th inst. at 9 a.m. at Haveli Rd., Chaitanya Yogashram Mandap, Ghatkopar. Swami Sambodhanandji of Ramkrishna Math, Khar, will preside.

LECTURE ON "UPANISHADS"

Under the auspices of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Dadar, a public lecture in English on "Kathopanishad" will be given by Swami Sambuddhananda to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. in Merzellow Building, 64, Portuguese Church St., Dadar (B.B. and C.I.).

FREE ART EXHIBITION

Under the auspices of the Art Society of India the 7th Free Fortnightly Art Exhibition will be held on Sunday, 16th inst. at the Society's Hall, Sandhurst House, near Sandhurst Bridge, between 8-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. to 7-30 p.m. Admission free to all.

NAVYUG NATYA MANDAL

The above Mandal will stage Mr. M. A. Kamat's "Antarpat" to-day (Saturday) at 9 p.m. at Ramchandra Bhat High School, Poibawdi, Parel (near Kamgar Maidan) in honour of their President, Sjt. V. M. Kande, who offers Satyagraha on the 20th Mar. Sjt. P. R. Lele will preside.

To-day (Saturday): In Arya Samaj Mandir from 8 to 10 a.m. Havan, Sandhya, Sermon by Swami Satyanandji Maharaj. In the Pandal at Chaupatty. Seth Pranlal Devkaran Nanji presided. 4-30 to 5-30 Bhajans by Shamji, Sjt. Yeshpalji, Sjt. Tejpalji, 5-30 to 6 Gymnasium by 'Students' Vyayamshala' Arya Samaj, Bombay. 6 to 8-30 Lectures by Prof. Shivadutt and Sermon by Swami Satyadanandji Maharaj.

SEND-OFF TO MRS MANORAMA NAIK

Mrs. Manorama Naik, one of the Jt. Secretaries of the 'F' Ward District Congress Committee, who is to offer "Satyagraha" was given a send-off by the members of the Managing Council on Thursday morning, when a tea-party was arranged in her honour. Many members spoke eulogizing her services to the Ward.

BOM. SECON. TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

The Bombay Secondary Teachers' Association will celebrate the Teachers' Day today (Saturday). Lieut.-Colonel Bhatia will preside at the sports function. Mr. Moos, the D.P.I. will preside at the dinner in the evening.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME FOR TEACHERS' DAY

9-30 a.m. Film: "Life Begins at College" New West End Theatre, Lamington Rd. 2-30 p.m. to 5-30 p.m. Sports—Elphinstone High School Grounds. 4-15 p.m. Tea. 8-15 p.m. Dinner.

R. M. BHATT HIGH SCHOOL

The prize-giving ceremony will come off to-day (Saturday) at 5 p.m. (S.T. in the Sir Chimanlal Setalvad Hall. Dr. R. P. Paranjpe will preside and distribute prizes.

DADAR SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

The Dadar School for the Blind will hold an exhibition to-day (Saturday) at 4 p.m. Prizes will be given at 5-30 p.m. Many new activities have been added to the school curriculum. The programme includes action songs, Scout and Girl Guide display, folk dance, music, drill, playlets and demonstration of work of a deaf blind boy, named Jaising.

The Visitors' and Prize Day will be held at the School on Dadar Road, to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. Mr. A. D. Shroff will preside and Mrs. Shroff will give away the prizes.

MUSLIMS AND THE CONGRESS

The Secretary of the Propaganda Committee of the B.P.C.C. writes:—

An informal meeting of the Nationalist Muslims of Bombay was held on the 5th inst. under the presidentship of Shri Dhirajlal B. Desai, President of the B.P.C.C. Two Committees were formed: (1) Propaganda Committee and (2) Constructive Work Committee. Propaganda Committee consists of the following members: Messrs. M. E. Ansari (Secretary), S. A. Brelvi, Salebhoy Abdul Kadar, Wajid Mahmood, Chandbhoy Muchhala, M. U. Bashar, M. N. Baig, Syed Mahmed Razvi.

Constructive Work Committee consists of: Messrs. Nuruddin M. Yusuf Ansari, Abdul Rahman Mitha, Mohamed Yakub, Sirazuddin A. Vasi.

THANA DIST. RURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The Congress-minded members of the Thana District Rural Development Board met at the Congress House, Bombay, under the Presidentship of Swami Anand and resolved to resign in a body from the Board. It was pointed out at the meeting that it seemed that the Government would henceforward use the Board only for war propaganda purposes.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(By A SUBURBAN MAN).

Suburban Hindus on Thursday celebrated Holi with usual devotion and merry-making. Nearly every suburban street was full of dancers in multi-coloured costumes dancing in streets demanding the usual festival fare.

WELLS IN THE SUBURBS

I have several times commented on the filthy condition of wells in the Suburbs, now my attention is drawn to the several wells that are left even without any fencing, thus proving dangerous to public, especially school children. One such well to mention is adjoining the Chumi village in Bandra, opposite the road leading to Khar Station. This well is actually along ground level and has no fencing at all, with the result on a dark night one is likely to drop into it unawares.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP

The Jt. Hon. Secretary of the Progressive Group writes:—

The annual general meeting of the Progressive Group was held on Wednesday last at Greens and the report of the working of the Group together with the statement of accounts was adopted. The following office-bearers were elected for the current year:—President: Mr. J. C. Daruwala; Vice-President: Mr. R. K. Karanjia; Hon. Secretaries: Miss Piloo Nanavutty and Mr. Homi J H. Talyarkhan; Hon. Treasurer: Mr. J. M. Mehta. Members of the Standing Committee: Miss Dina Billimoria, Messrs. Tanubhai D. Desai, D. E. Budgett-Meakin, J. V. Bhagat and Shantikumar N. Morarji.

Dances By Hahnova Sisters

Misses Gertrude and Magda Hahnova presented on Thursday evening at the Excelsior Theatre, a lively programme of physical exercises, rhythmical movements and dances. Both of them executed the various items with facile movements and remarkable ease. "Keep Fit" exercises practically demonstrated with music the scope of physical culture as a pre-requisite of initiation in the art of dance.

In the next items the Hahnova Sisters skilfully drew a line of demarcation between physical exercises with music and rhythmical movements. The dances were European with the exception of one Indian item. "Viennese Waltz" "Dance of Fun" and especially "Idyll"—a pantomime—were delightful varieties. "Puja Nritya" in the Manipuri technique was executed by the two artistes with equal alacrity.

Bombay Aligarh Old Boys' Message

Mr. M. K. Azad, Secretary, Bombay Presidency Aligarh Old Boys' Association, has on behalf of the Association sent a message of condolence to Lady Suleiman on the death of the late Justice Sir Shah Mahomed Suleiman.

Dr. Miss Juliet de Sa Honoured

Instituto Luso-Indiano Hall was the scene of a pretty gathering of distinguished gentlemen and ladies from Ilha-Divar who met to express appreciation of the brilliant academic success achieved by Dr. Miss Juliet de Sa who hails from Ilha-Divar.

The President in a few choice words, referred to the M. D. and F. R. C. S. degrees secured by the principal guest who alone had the distinction of being the first among her sex in the Christian community to achieve such success. Rev. Dr. L. Raymond recalled the historic life of the beautiful Island of Divar and her noble sons who have made their way to distinguished careers as Doctors, Professors, Authors, Writers, Bishops and in many other walks of life.

Dr. Miss Juliet de Sa rising to thank the gathering, expressed gratitude and good wishes to all that hailed from the Island of Divar. The Jazz Rhymers played at intervals sweet notes.

BOMBAY BRAHMO SAMAJ

Mr. G. L. Chandavarkar will conduct service to-morrow (Sunday) at the Bombay Brahmo Samaj, at 7-30 a.m. Mazagaon.

SIR ZIAUDDIN'S LECTURE

Sir Ziauddin Ahmed will address the members of the Bombay Presidency Aligarh Old Boys' Association at 7 p.m. at the Khilafat House, on Monday, 17th inst. on the Flying School in Aligarh.

RECEPTION TO KERALA ARTISTES

Under the auspices of the Bombay Keraleeya Samaj a public reception will be given to Sjts. Jayasankar, Madhava Menon and Sreematis P. Ammini and N. Ammini of the Kerala Kala Mandalam to-morrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m. (S.T.) at Dhuru Hall, Dadar. Dr. K. B. Menon will preside and Sjt. M. K. Raja will speak on "Kerala Arts."

B. P. MUSLIM LEAGUE PRESIDENT

Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan, M.L.A., Hon. Secretary of the All-India Muslim League, has been elected President of the ensuing sessions of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League to be held at Dongri, Bombay on the 6th, 7th and 8th April, and he has kindly accepted the presidentship.

QAZI ABDUL MAJID QARSHI'S VISIT

Mr. Osman Qasim writes:—

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FAIR BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS

The resolution adopted by the Bombay Conference on Friday, though it does not go far enough to meet all the needs of the situation, indicates fairly what may be called the greatest common measure of the demands of the more important political parties in the country. It consists of two parts, one demanding a declaration about India's freedom and the other urging an immediate reconstruction of the Central Government on a popular basis. The declaration desired is that "within a specified time limit after the conclusion of the war India will enjoy the same measure of freedom as will be enjoyed by Britain and the Dominions." Congressmen do not, for obvious reasons, like that India's freedom should depend to any extent upon that of other countries at some future time. But the inclusion of Britain in the resolution is an improvement on the old formula. Even Congressmen do not insist on a greater measure of freedom than that enjoyed by Britain at present. Moreover, as we have suggested before, Congress will not peck at the present formula for the purpose of a transitional stage, though it will continue to adhere to its creed of complete independence as an ultimate objective. It may also be pointed out here that the creed does not militate against a friendly treaty between India and Britain, providing for mutual rights and obligations for the benefit of both. As Sir Tej Bahadur said, the question is not one of status but of powers.

Reconstruction Of Central Govt.

As regards the immediate reconstruction of the Central Government the resolution demands that the whole Executive Council should consist of non-official Indians "drawn from important elements in the public life of the country." This would naturally involve the transfer of all portfolios, including the vital ones of Finance and Defence, to Indians. But the vital point is what is to be the constitutional position of the Indianised Council. The resolution states: "The Conference would be content during the period of the war that the reconstructed centre remains responsible to the Crown; and so far as Defence is concerned, the position of the Commander-in-Chief as the executive head of the defence forces of the country should not be in any way prejudiced. At the same time the Conference is strongly of the view that the reconstructed Government should not merely be a collection of departmental heads, but should deal with all important matters of policy on a basis of joint and collective responsibility. In regard to all inter-imperial and international matters, the reconstructed Government should be treated on the same footing as the Dominion Governments." This is doubtless a considerable improvement on the Viceroy's offer but is not clear or emphatic enough about the need for the Cabinet enjoying the confidence of the elected members of the Central Legislature. But the resolution is on the whole good enough to be a basis for negotiations. And as for the right of free speech, on which Gandhiji is so keen, it should not be difficult to come to an understanding about the rights of conscientious objectors, if there could be a settlement on the more important constitutional points.

Intolerable Situation

The real question now is whether Government will accept at least the modest suggesitons made by the Conference. Some of the speakers on the resolution have themselves expressed grave doubts on this point. But the doubts testify to the merits of the resolution. In all probability Government will give their stock answer that they are extremely anxious to deal with the resolution sympathetically but are handicapped by its not being endorsed by the Congress and the Muslim League and by the absence of any communal settlement on any other basis. Almost in anticipation of this familiar objection the resolution itself warns Government that "India's domestic problems should not be pressed to her disadvantage." It is notorious that Government themselves are largely responsible for the present communal problems. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru himself had presumably this fact in mind when he said that it did not lie in the mouth of the British Government to plead the communal difficulty as a bar to any constitutional reform and that such a plea was "an intolerable situation." So far at any rate as the immediate constitutional changes are concerned, Government know that they can give effect to the Bombay resolution without any serious communal difficulties. It will be well for Government to realise what Sir Tej has said, that "a united India is a far greater asset to Britain than a disunited India." At the same time we would also urge the leaders of the Congress and the League to listen to the passionate appeal of Sir Tej to make one more effort at a complete communal settlement He has offered his own services in the matter and has been authorised by the Conference to take all necessary steps for the fulfilment of its objects. He may well see Gandhiji about this. That may lighten his task in more ways than one.

Film Advisory Board

One of the minor but by no means insignificant developments in India, as a consequence of the present war, is the creation of a Film Advisory Board. The Government of India, hitherto serenely oblivious of the existence of the film industry and impervious to the repeated demands of the indigenous producers for protection, have suddenly become aware of the possibility of using the motion picture as an instrument for war propaganda. That, by itself is a welcome development because, war propaganda apart, it gives us an opportunity of experimenting with the potentialities of the film as a factor for mass visual education. But the way the Government have set about organizing their Film Advisory Board is, to say the least, arbitrary and typically bureaucratic in its lack of imagination. With characteristic self-complacency they think they have solved the whole problem by importing a high-salaried "expert" from England It seems to be an established superstition in New Delhi that any problem, agricultural or artistic, mechanical or educational, can be solved just by cabling to London for an expert.

The story of the creation and functioning of the Film Advisory Board is told, with a certain pungency but with remarkable thoroughness, in the current issue of "Filmindia". It is an unpleasant story and but for the fact that it is well-documented, one could hardly believe it. The Chief Press Adviser sits down and appoints a Board. The members are producers, distributors, machinery-dealers and, believe it not, representatives of *foreign* film interests. One of the executives of an Anglo-Indian paper is the Government representative on the Board and, till recently, the offices of the Board were situated in the premises of the same Anglo-Indian paper. It is all a very cosy and convenient arrangement and who cares if not a few of the members do not know the difference between a 'documentary' and a 'fantasy' and are innocent of any knowledge of the latest media of visual propaganda? The procedure seems to be that the Board (representative almost exclusively of *commercial* interests) will discuss suitable subjects and submit them for approval to the Government representative (who has no special knowledge about films) who will obtain sanction for production —presumably from the Chief Press Adviser who, again has no special knowledge about films! Finally, we believe, the responsibility for educating and enlightening the masses, through the medium of the cinema, will devolve upon the "expert" who does not know any of the Indian languages and has been not more than three months in this country. We wonder what the British press and public would have had to say if the Ministry of Information had entrusted the Government Film Unit to a Board consisting of machinery-dealers and representatives of American studios with an expert from Russia, not knowing a word of English!

Equally arbitrary seems to be the reported procedure adopted in launching in Bombay a scheme for rural propaganda through 16 m.m. films. Were any educational authorities or the many individuals and organizations with experience of valuable work for educational and cultural regeneration in the villages consulted? Government are reported to have bought a hundred 16 m.m. projectors from a certain firm. Were tenders called for? The sole judge of everything seems to be the Director of Information who will select the subjects to be screened and sanction all the expenditure. We are not in the least indifferent to the almost unlimited possibilities of using the motion picture as an instrument of mass education But only educationists and psychologists and intellectuals with the requisite technical knowledge and imagination fully to realize the educative potentiality of the film can plan such a scheme and put it into action. Bureaucrats, trying to be amateur film-producers and educationists at the same time, present a spectacle which would be amusing if it were not such a costly futility.

Nazi Raider In Pacific

LONDON, March 7.

The "News Chronicle" prints today a story of the activities of Nazi raiders in the Pacific and of the secret help being given to the Nazis by the Japanese. The information has been gathered at Manila (Philippine Islands) by Edwin C. Hartrich, an American newspaperman who until recently was the Berlin correspondent of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Here is his story cabled across the Pacific to San Francisco, across America to New York, and then to London.

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German raiders, fast, modern and heavily armed, are operating from a secret Japanese base and endangering British sea lanes. The crack North German Lloyd liners, "Scharnhorst", "Gneisenau" and "Potsdam"—14,000-ton vessels once used on the Hamburg-Singapore (Indian Ocean) route—form the nucleus of the raiding fleet.

These ships are armed with four 5-inch guns, torpedo tubes and minelaying apparatus. Each ship carries two to four sea planes—dive-bombers or Heinkels.

They use the Japanese harbours of Dairen, Kobe and Yokohama—for repairs—and are refuelled in the Marianas and Caroline islands.

The Germans appear to have introduced a new raiding technique. Planes are used for scouting with a range of from 200 to 500 miles from the ship. The raiding vessels operate in pairs 150 miles apart.

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The scouting plane or planes make it unnecessary for ships to cruise in search of prey, thus saving fuel. Each pair of raiders is supplemented by a supply ship which collects the booty oil and so on.

The three liners are handicapped as they are diesel-powered and consequently unable to use ordinary fuel.

The British and Americans are said to be aware of the extent of Japanese collusion but unable to prevent it at the moment.

The Japanese disguise their own vessels as Germans at Kobe, Yokohama and Dairen, allowing the original Nazi raiders to sneak out with faked identification marks. The raiders sometimes paint Japanese flags on their hulls, paint their funnels with Nippon Yusen Kaisha stripes and do not reveal their true identity until they open fire. Then the Swastika flags appear.

The original name-plates have been removed from the German ships, which now carry such names as "Tokio Maru", "Manu Maru" and "Narvik".

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The survivors of the December raids report, that cigarettes, canned goods and even munitions carried in the Nazi ships are all marked as Japanese goods.

The three key raiders which were built between 1931 and 1936 were designed as raiders and always carried guns and ammunition, even in peacetime.

These ships are considered the finest in the Pacific for size and have a speed of 18 to 21 knots.

The "Scharnhorst" was last seen at Kobe in January.

Herr Ott, the Nazi Ambassador, called to Tokio, for a conference in January, all German naval and shipping men at Shanghai, Tientsin and Tsingtao to assist in mapping raiding strategy.

The Japanese denied any collusion or assistance to Nazi raiders in the South Pacific. But they succeeded in fooling nobody.

Turkey And The War

LONDON, March 5.

The Ankara Correspondent of "The Times" cabled on March 4:

As Turkey views the situation created by the German march into Bulgaria, the maintenance of peace in the Balkans is now a forlorn hope. The only question is how long it will be before Turkey is involved in the war. In the present phase there is no action which Turkey can usefully take except to follow German troop movements most carefully on the map and to enhance the country's already high state of preparedness.

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During the visit here of Sir Stafford Cripps, besides discussing Anglo-Russian relations with Mr. Eden, he made useful contacts with Mr. Sarajoglu, the Foreign Minister, and other members of the Turkish Government. There is much interest here in Moscow's indications of its attitude to Balkan developments. The impression prevails that, should Turkey assist in weakening Germany by putting up a strong resistance, the Soviet Union would not be displeased, but the Kremlin's real thoughts are difficult to guess.

GERMANS FEAR BRITISH INVASION OF FRANCE

LONDON, March 10.

David Scott, Lisbon correspondent of the "News Chronicle" cabled on March 9:

According to information received from France, the Germans are now busy fortifying the coast of Bay of Biscay between the mouth of the Loire and the Spanish frontier.

Heavy guns are being mounted on concrete emplacements and machine-gun posts built, trenches dug and belts of barbed wire laid —in fact every precaution is being taken against attack from the sea.

The reason is that the Germans genuinely fear a British attempt to land in France this summer and are leaving nothing to chance.

Owing to the nature of the beaches the west coast of France is more favourable than the Channel coast for invasion and British superiority at sea should enable a landing force to make the comparatively long sea crossing in safety.

ITALIAN PRISONERS ON SPIRIT OF FASCISTS

LONDON, March 8.

The "Daily Telegraph" Athens correspondent cabled on March 7.

Although the Italians, aided by bad weather and by constant reinforcements which have raised their army's strength in Albania to over 400,000, have so far been able to prevent the Greek Army from completely breaking through the prisoners captured in the last few days say that Italian morale is very low.

"We were constantly deceived," they added. "We hate Mussolini, although we are all Fascists. Most of us wished to surrender, but we were told that the Greeks would cut out our tongues and kill us. We were deceived even on this point."

It is pointed out here that the Italian plea that their defeats were due to their soldiers' inability to stand the cold of the Albanian mountains is unfounded as most of them come from Northern Italy and many are Alpini.

NAZIS TO BUILD PLANES IN UNOCCUPIED FRANCE

LONDON, March 10.

The New York correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" cabled on March 9:

In violation of the Franco-German Armistice terms, Germany is preparing to build aircraft in Unoccupied France to offset American supplies to Britain, according to M. Maurice Garreau dom Basle, former Commercial Counsellor at the French Embassy at Washington and now General de Gaulle's political representative in the United States.

Declaring that there was little difference between the two zones in France, he said: "The Germans are looting the unoccupied territory as freely as they are stripping the occupied sections."

Norway Under Nazi Heels

LONDON, March 14.

The Nazi plans to treat Norway as a German colony are confirmed by reports received from Oslo says the Norwegian Telegraph Agency.

Norwegian waterpower is to be exploited by a new organisation called the Norwegian Electric Development Corporation set up by Terboven, the Nazi Commissioner. A new town is to be established near the great Aura waterfall and six to seven thousand people are to be compulsorily removed there from Christiansund. The Norwegians are distrustful fearing that the Germans will exploit the waterpower for their war industries and some few of Quisling's party suspect that this control coupled with the hold over Norway's remaining shipping will ruinously affect the country's economy.—Reuter.

Govt.'s "No" To Jawaharlal

Will Not Be Allowed To Carry On Work Of National Planning Committee

CALCUTTA, March 14.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will not be allowed to carry on the work of the National Planning Committee while he is in jail.

This is revealed in a communication addressed to the members of the Planning Committee by Prof. K. T. Shah, Secretary of the Committe wherein he states that he has been refused permission by the Government for an interview with Pandit Nehru as "Government is unable to agree to his carrying on the work of the National Planning Committee while he is in jail."—United Press.

Anjuman-i-Islam

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The adjourned meeting of the Anjuman-i-Islam, Bombay is to be held on Sunday the 16th inst. at 5 p. m. (S.T.) to elect Trustees for the next five years and members of the Managing Committee till the next annual meeting. The first Trustees were appointed by the High Court in the year 1935. This is the first opportunity for the Muslims of Bombay to elect seven Trustees and I have, therefore, to request the hospitality of your influential columns to ask my Muslim fellow citizens to interest themselves in the affairs of their premier non-political institution.

At the meeting held on the 26th January nine names were proposed for seven seats on the Board of Trustees, namely: Messrs. (1) H. M. Agboatwala; (2) Osman Sobani; (3) Saif Tyabji; (4) A. T. Maskati; (5) M. O. Dada; (6) Dr. M. B. Rahman; (7) Hadi Tyabji; (8) A. M. Mecklai; (9) A. U. Boatwala. I am reliably informed that the Nos. 8 and 9 do not wish to serve as Trustees. If Mr. Hadi Tyabji, who is now about 70 could also retire from the contest, I would suggest that Sir Currimbhoy Ebrahim (Bart) may be elected. Sir Currimbhoy is devoting a great deal of his time to the public service and I do feel that it would be to the advantage of the Anjuman to have him as Trustee.—Yours, etc.

AN 'OLD BOY.'

Bombay, March 13.

Frankly Speaking

Pressure On Belgrade

It is reported that public feeling in Yugo-Slavia is more cheerful than ever before because the people believe that the Government have decided to resist Nazi aggression. Ankara Radio also reports that anti-Axis feeling in Yugo-Slavia is increasing in corresponding reaction to German pressure. What is more important to note in all this is that German pressure not only continues but is also being intensified. This is not unnatural. For, Nazi failure in Yugo-Slavia at this stage will mean a serious diplomatic reverse morally. Then, the battering dealt by the Greeks to the Italian army virtually led by the Duce himself urgently calls for German action to prevent an Italian collapse. It is, therefore, scarcely conceivable that they would easily leave Yugo-Slavia even though their real invasion might be launched from Bulgaria. They would perhaps refrain from direct aggression in return for indirect but appreciable advantages. And the Yugo-Slav Government do not appear unwilling to accept some such compromise.

Vichy Conciliatory

It is satisfactory to note that dangers implicit in the threat recently held out by Admiral Darlan are not so imminent as they appeared to be at first Admiral Darlan's declaration of Vichy's intentieon to convoy French merchant vessels was, of course, made mainly under German pressure. And the Nazis are making no secret of their desire to bring the French and British fleets into conflict with each other. The Nazi controlled Paris Radio has virtually said as much. It appears, however, that while Admiral Darlan agreed to give the threat—especially because Vichy has certainly got a case as far as the question of food supply is concerned—he and his colleagues do not intend to play the Nazi game.

Valuable Opportunity

They want an amicable arrangement through the good offices of the United States. Vichy broadcasts and press comments, as reported by Reuter, are distinctly—and, for the Germans and French Lavals, almost defiantly—conciliatory. Indeed, they actually hint that Vichy is ready to accept the demand for guarantees —the main condition suggested recently by the British Ministry of Economic Warfare. If this is the position there need be no delay in arriving at a satisfactory settlement. The facts that Vichy wants peace and also American mediation, doubtless against the wishes of Germany, have interesting possibilities of rapprochement between America and Britain, on the one hand, and Vichy, on the other. It is, of course, ridiculous to expect that Marshal Petain and his colleagues will break off with Germany and rejoin Britain. But development of friendly relations has certainly its advantages and fairly valuable ones. It is to be hoped that America and Britain will not miss this opportunity of conciliating Petain's France and defeating Nazi designs to exploit her militarily and economically.

Il Duce's Plight

Il Duce seems to be a particularly unlucky man. He has been in Albania for some days hoping personally to retrieve the situation. But what the Greeks call "Mussolini's personal offensive" seems to have ended only in further worsening his plight. Reports of the fighting up to Thursday show that four days of desperate and prodigious efforts under his own direction and inspiration have brought him not a victory but staggering blows from the Greeks. The Italians have suffered a battering more disastrous than ever before. And since it has been suffered in the presence of the Duce himself, its demoralising effect is bound to be much more significant than the actual losses, heavy enough by themselves, would indicate. Unless, therefore, he manages to bring off some spectacular achievement, his return to Rome, a defeated general, may well signalise a major collapse of the Italian army at any rate in the central sector of the Albanian front. And that would hurt Il Duce and Fascism at home, too. But perhaps Herr Hitler will tarry no more and rush to the rescue of his unfortunate partner.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

He had very little hope that either the Congress or the League would agree to lower their demands. Outside these two parties, he was doubtful how they would be able to carry out their intentions. The idea was to get the whole-hearted support of India in the war effort. Where was the guarantee of getting more material and men without the sympathy and support of the people?

—Sir Cowasji Jehangir at the "Maderates" Conference.

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Doctor Varadarajulu Naidu hopes that "if Lord Linlithgow and Mahatma Gandhi make one more effort towards settling the Indian deadlock in India, they will succeed."

Yes, but Mr. M. A. Jinnah will make one more effort too.

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In fact, Mr. Jinnah's effort is a continuous affair.

He has made another speech, this time at Aligarh and he actually quoted political philosophers like Wells and Madriaga, understanding them, of course, better than they, poor fellows, themselves do.

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Inspired by Wells and Madriaga—they would surely feel greatly embarrassed if only they became aware of the high honour done to them—the Qaid-e-Azam waxed historical and even prophetic. "Pakistan", he declared, "has been there for centuries. It is there to-day and it will remain till the end of the world."

Whereafter, nothing remains but to sympathise with Mr. H. G. Wells and Senor Salvador de Madriaga.

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Anglo-India is very pleased almost as pleased as the Rome radio when it announced once that the Italians had taken no less than three Greek prisoners. The reason, of course, is the "significant defeat." of a Congress candidate in a U. P. by-election to the Central Assembly by 151 votes.

We think it would be cruel to spoil the joy of Anglo-India; otherwise we might possibly have mentioned that perhaps more than 151 voters were in jail from that constituency.

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Mr. Abdul Hameed Khan, a Muslim League leader, has asserted in the Madras Conference that "it will be national suicide to talk of non-co-operation with Britain in this war."

Mr. Hameed Khan must, on pain of severe disciplinary action, refrain from using the word "national" since it implies acceptance of Indian Nationalism.

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A large Japanese torpedo boat has, says a report, arrived at Saigon and "a number of Japanese bombing planes are also visible at Saigon airport."

There will be more Japanese phenomena visible at Saigon presently—Marshal Petain pleading that the place is much too far for him to see anything even with a high power telescope.

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Apropos of the British advance into Abyssinia from Italian Somaliland, a Cairo spokesman says, "our forces are making a back door entry. The Italians planned their defences to the north facing Jibuti, and did not expect an offensive from the south."

This is what we, on behalf of Il Duce, regard as the real "stab in the back."

Eh. Yes We were thinking of the utterly cynical allegation against Il Duce's activities on the collapse of France.

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Yugoslavs are, reported Ankara Radio, to be resisting Nazi pressure.

Resisting—resisting—gone.

Let us hope not, though.

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In a speech at Vienna Doctor Goebbels describes the German people as "the greatest and soundest people on earth."

How about the other partners? Perhaps the Junior Colleague is right. According to him, the German people being superlatively sound, the Italian and Japanese peoples are superlatively funny.

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The judge addressed the prisoner.

"Was any other person with you in this? Did you commit the robbery quite alone?"

"Quite alone, my lord", was the reply. "The trouble about having a partner in an affair like this is that you can never tell whether he is honest or not."

CENTRAL ASSEMBLY

Test For Britain's Sincerity

Obtain People's Verdict And End Deadlock, Says Navalrai

NEW DELHI, March 14.

In the Assembly to-day, the second day of the general discussion on the Finance Bill, Dr. Dalal resuming his speech traced the events resulting in the present deadlock and expressed his conviction that the British Government were very keen to transfer real power to Indians. If, he said, the Congress ceased to claim to speak for the whole of India and the Muslim League for all Indian Mussalmans, if the majority ceased to dream of domination over everyone in the country and the minorities realised that they had to be reasonable in their demands, there would be real advance. The need of the hour, he said, was tolerance and the spirit of compromise.

Mr. J. D. Boyle referred to the cost of such services as related to air raid precautions and maintenance of the Civil Guard and asked if there was a fixed allocation between the Centre and the Provinces or was each item of expenditure decided on its merits? Were the Provinces being urged to undertake complete responsibility for these two services?

DUTY ON ART SILK YARN

Turning to the increase in the duty on artificial silk yarn and thread, he alluded to the protest made by the Bombay Millowners' Association against the duty being imposed unaccompanied by an increase in the import duties on rayon piecegoods. Discussing the matter from the financial aspect first, Mr. Boyle pointed out that there were in the neighbourhood of 6,000 looms weaving art silk fabric spread throughout this country and there were in all 25,000 workers employed of a skilled or semi-skilled nature. Now, the Indian States were very anxious that this country should be concentrated within their boundaries and indeed a move in this direction had already been made.

TEMPTING OFFER OF STATES

The absence of income-taxes or super-taxes was among the attractions offered by Indian States to business enterprises, and he was convinced that the result of what the Finance Member had done would be to drive whatever remained of this very young industry out of British India into the Indian States, and the result of that would be that the Government of India instead of realising an additional 35 lakhs of revenue would not only do so but in the end would lose the revenue that they were at present getting together with the income-tax and super-tax, etc.

Looking at the Commerce side of the Finance Member's proposal, Mr. Boyle referred to a plan which had been actively promoted now to start the manufacture of artificial silk yarn in this country The Government of India had even given a grant to encourage research into this matter. He would point out, however, that if the looks for weaving fabric had been removed into Indian States, the advantage to be secured from the manufacture of yarn in this country would go not to British India but to the Indian States.

Obtain People's Verdict

Mr. Lalchand Navalrai thought there was no question of congratulations on a budget which revealed such a big deficit as Rs. twenty crores. He, however, thanked the Government for the provision of a radio station for Karachi.

Referring to the constitutional deadlock and the attitude of the different political parties, he suggested that the British Government, if they were sincere, should not wait for a reconciliation between the Congress, the Muslim League and other parties, but should go to the people of the country and ascertain their will as to reasonable safeguards for minority communities. It was not beyond the wit of the Government to devise suitable machinery to obtain the people's verdict.

Mr. Azarali advocated the floatation of internal loans to finance war expenditure and said that India was capable of giving lavishly. At the same time he asked highly paid officials to forgo a great part of their emoluments. Retrenchment and economy, he said, should be the two principles governing policies at a time like the present.

Mr. Gwilt visualised a possible unfavourable trade balance after the present war was over and suggested one remedy namely, a service of highly trained trade commissioners.

MUSLIM GRIEVANCES

Mr. Nauman Raising the question of Muslim grievances in the matter of representation in the services strongly urged that not only should the 25 per cent reservation be maintained as regards personnel but care should be taken to see that that percentage was maintained as regards the emoluments given to them. He complained that in the matter of promotion, Muslims had not received a fair deal and he wanted to know what was the reason for the small number of Mussalmans in the top posts.

GREATER CALAMITY THAN WAR

Maulana Zafarali said that the deadlock in the country was a greater calamity than the war in Europe. To a certain extent it was correct to accuse the British Government of having created the deadlock.

The scheme of Pakistan, he proceeded was a plain and simple one. It is the only remedy for India's troubles.

He had not concluded his speech when the House adjourned till tomorrow.—A. P.

CULTURE IMPROVES HUMAN STATUS

That culture meant the cultivation of the mind with a view to improve human status and therefore, there could be no such thing as Hindu culture or Muslim culture, was the view expressed by Prof. A. M. Moulvi of Ismail College, Andheri, speaking on "Islamic Culture and its Influence on India," at a meeting of the Ismailia Students' Education Society on Friday. Major Alimahomed Meckiai presided.

The speaker said that it was much better to understand by Islamic culture as the special contribution made by Muslims during the Abbaside period which was remarkable in the history of thought.

When Muslims came to India, they found the country divided. They were the first to unify India by setting a unified system of Government at the centre and by making Persian the court language.

Further, it was the Muslims who give India the idea of one, impersonal God, which was not known to her before in a concrete form. The result was that under the influence of that idea, a large number of reformers like Kabir, Tulsidas and Nanak came forward to preach the oneness of humanity. The rigidity of the caste-system was thus strongly attacked.

Under the Muslim rule a common language came into existence, namely, Urdu, which was a mixture of Persian and other Indian languages. The Muslims were the first to open schools not only for the Brahmins but also for other castes.

In the field of architect, the Muslims introduced many new models. So also the Muslims were responsible for bringing in delicacies in the country where very simple way of eating prevailed.

Up to this day, the speaker said, a large number of Hindus continued to visit Muslim "Pirs."

Though they might be legitimately proud of this contribution, they should not forget that certain undesirable things had crept into the life of the community. The existence of castes among Muslims such as Khojas and Memons, who would not intermarry, was a blot on the character.

R. A. F. Men Rescued

KARACHI, March 14.

How three members of the R.A.F., were rescued after the boat which they were rowing capsized near Oyster rocks, Mancra island was narrated at Keamari, where the men were brought in by the Rover Scouts of Karachi. The boat capsized as a result of strong currents following squally weather. The men swam to the rocks where they spend nearly three hours. As the Rovers were returning from Manora to Keamari they observed signals from the R.A.F. men and rescued them. —A. P.

YUGOSLAV MINISTERS FOR GERMANY

LONDON, March 14.

The Yugoslav Premier and Foreign Minister are leaving for Germany to-day, according to a Budapest message quoted by the Algiers radio which adds that the Regency Council which was to have been held on Wednesday has been postponed till Monday next.

A Budapest message quoted by the Vichy news agency repeats the rumour but points out that there is no confirmation of this. Most Hungarian correspondents think that the Yugoslav Ministers cannot leave for Germany until Monday as Prince Paul is still discussing details of the latest German proposals.—Reuter.

WILL YUGOSLAVIA SIGN PACT?

BELGRADE, March 14.

While the Germans have been pressing Yugoslavia to sign the Tripartite Pact, well-informed quarters, though emphasising Yugoslavia's desire for good relations with all her neighbour including Germany, insist that any "concessions" made to the Nazis must be "consonant with the nation's real interests."

It is thought that Yugoslavia may be prepared to accept firstly an expression of friendship and non-aggression and secondly some instrument giving formal shape to the existing economic relations between the two countries.

Meanwhile outward calm prevailed in Belgrade on Thursday as Yugoslav-German conversations continued through normal diplomatic channels.—Reuter.

TURKEY UNPERTURBED

ANKARA, March 14.

Despite the presence of German troops on the frontier the Turkish nation is calm because it is ready. Every man, woman and child knows what to do if and when the moment comes and the country's preparations to meet an attack from the air are now complete. Arrangements for evacuating threatened areas can be brought into operation at the shortest possible notice.

Three main duties for Turks are put forward by the semi-official newspaper "Ulus". Firstly, help the Government to increase reserves of food-stuffs by economising in articles that can be stored, like sugar. Secondly, build family air raid shelters in the gardens and waste ground. Thirdly, defeat all attempts to lower morale by refraining from negative critisism and keeping alive the will to resistance.—Reuter.

VICTORY WILL BE QUICK

But We Must Hold On Till U. S. Aid Is Transferred Here, Says Alexander

LONDON, March 14.

"If we hold on until American assistance is transferred and established here, then victory will not only be certain—it will be quick." Mr. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty made this prophesy speaking in London to-day.

Mr. Alexander continuing said: "You cannot win this national struggle except on the basis of hundred percent national co-operation. We are facing, perhaps, the most crucial stage of the war in which the navy is called upon to play a very great part.

Referring to Hitler's threat of intensified attacks on British shipping, Mr. Alexander said: "I would be foolish to underestimate in any degree the power, weight and potential danger of such an attack but I have a large measure of confidence in the service over which I preside and if we are given the assistance we ought to have in the modern type of warfare against us of air cover and counter air attack, I am confident we shall overcome this latest attempt to strangle this island as we overcame it in the previous war".—Reuter.

Towards Russo-Japanese Pact

Five Mixed Commissions At Work In Moscow

LONDON, March 14.

The stabilisation of Russo-Japanese relations has been the subject of study in Moscow by five mixed commissions, states a Shanghai despatch to the Independent French agency.

According to a "reliable source" the commissions have been at work since the middle of January. The first basis of the new relationship is said to be a non-aggression pact.—Reuter.

FACTORIES & SERVICES CLOSED DOWN

Amsterdam Workers' Protest Against German Police Measures

LISBON, March 14.

As a protest against recent German police measures workers of Amsterdam stayed at home for several days causing shops, factories and public services to close down, according to reports received in Dutch circles here.

The Nazi police chief has, therefore, issued a statement forbidding payment of normal wages for the period of inactivity. In North Holland, it is reported, members of the Nazi party are now forbidden to wear the Nazi uniform for fear of provoking fresh disturbances.—Reuter.

More Cuts In Newsprint In Britain

LONDON, March 14.

Still smaller newspapers than those to which war has accustomed readers in Great Britain are in prospect as the result of cuts in new-sprint consumption.

According to a statement by the News-print Supply Company Limited, representing national, provincial and Scottish newspapers, the effect of the first cut which comes into operation on March 16, will be to reduce the present sizes of the penny daily and evening papers from six six page issues per week to three of six pages and three of four pages per week, and the two-penny daily and weekly and Sunday newspapers from the present maximum size of twelve to ten pages per issue.

The statement adds: "It is anticipated that a further substantial cut in news-print consumption will be necessary probably by the middle of April."—Reuter.

LANDED FROM NAZI PLANE AT BALLYCULLAID

DUBLIN, March 14.

A stranger who stated that he had landed during the night from a German aeroplane was arrested by Guards in the county of Wexford to-day, says an official announcement, he declared that he came down at Ballycullaid in the same county.—Reuter

Aerial Battle Over Chengkun

Five Japanese Bombers Shot Down: Chinese Advance Into Hupeh

CHUNGKING, March 14.

Tung-Peng in south-eastern Hupeh province is in Chinese hands; the occupation was completed in the early hours of Thursday morning after two columns of troops had launched a vigorous attack the previous night.

Chinese fighters to-day shot down at least five Japanese bombers in a severe aerial battle over Chengkun the capital of Szechuen. The Japanese approached the city from the direction of Shansi aerodromes in two batches the first of twelve machines and the second of 36. Four of the first formation were destroyed and several other machines so badly damaged that it is thought unlikely that they were able to return to their bases. One machine of the second group was destroyed.—Reuter.

MR. MATSUOKA STARTS FOR MOSCOW

TOKYO, March 14.

Nothing definite has been decided about the visit to Moscow by the Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, said a Deputy spokesman at a Press Conference to-day Mr. Matsuoka, it was stated, had said nothing about such a visit before he left Tokyo for Europe this morning.—Reuter.

JAPANESE FEELERS FOR U. S. AND BRITAIN

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, March 14.

According to reliable reports received from New York Mr. Matsuoka, Japanese Foreign Minister, has declared in a farewell message to Japan prior to his departure on the European tour, that he would like to visit London and Washington if invited.

"I am leaving with an open mind and willingness to extend my tour to London and Washington if they invite me", said Mr. Matsuoka.

Mr. Matsuoka's Chief Secretary has suggested that the best way to solve the Japanese problems with Democracies would be for Mr Roosevelt to meet Mr. Matsuoka half-way in Hawaii.

JAPANESE PRESS WARNS HITLER

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 14.

New York reports suggest that the Japanese Press is nervous about Hitler's designs.

The "Ashahi" warns Hitler to be "prudent and respect imperial wishes."

Left Over For Ministers

NEW DELHI, March 14.

The "United Press" learns that matters referred to the Propaganda Committee of the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes have been left over for consideration by the Standing Committee of the Ministers which is expected to meet in June or July.

The Committee met this morning under the chairmanship of Sir Akbar Hydari and decided to leave the matters to the Committee of the Ministers which will meet under the same chairmanship.

Sir Akbar Hydari also presided over the deliberations of the Income-Tax Committee and as a result of discussion, the "United Press" learns, representations will be made to the Government of India to take effective steps to remove the anomalies which have been found in the administration of Income-Tax Law as its affects the subjects of the Indian States who reside or carry on business in British India. Such matters relate to the counting of agricultural income derived from certain concerns like Railways and Banks which are controlled by the States but pass through British Indian territories and become liable to income-tax under the Governments Trading Act.

The reports of these two Committees will be submitted to the Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes when it meets on Sunday next.—United Press.

SATYAGRAHA

Beware Of Misleading Instructions

A. I. C. C. Office Will Issue Circulars From Time To Time

WARDHA, March 14.

The office of the All-India Congress Committee is shortly issuing circulars to the Provincial Congress Committees and, where necessary, to the District Congress Committees, containing Mahatma Gandhi's authoritative instructions regarding the conduct of the Satyagraha movement. This is being done in order to avoid confusion and misunderstandings in regard to such instructions.

In this connection, the A.-I.C.C. office states: "Almost daily we read in newspapers of instructions supposed to be issued by Mahatmaji to the Congressmen and Congress Committees regarding the Satyagraha movement. A great many of these messages are unauthorised and misleading, and create confusion in public mind." —United Press.

Third List From Gujarat

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, March 14.

The third big list of Satyagrahis from Gujarat has been sent to Wardha for Gandhiji's approval. About 450 Satyagrahis have been arrested from Gujarat upto this time.

Mr. Babubhai Naranbhai, who since last eighteen days, is offering Satyagraha in various villages of the district has not yet been arrested. This is the only Satyagrahi in Gujarat who has been not arrested though he shouted anti-war slogans in about 35 meetings. After completion of the tour in the district he will march towards Delhi.

Two Congress Workers Arrested

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. Sitaram Bhivaji Parab and Mr. Tulsidas Vithaldas Shah, two Congress workers of Bombay, who had been selected by the B. P. C. C., to offer Satyagraha this evening were arrested in the early hours of the morning to-day and taken to Thana for detention.

List Of Satyagrahis From Suburbs

The Bombay Suburban District Congress Committee, it is understood, has submitted for the approval of Mahatma Gandhi a list of about 30 Satyagrahis who are scheduled to participate in the campaign in the suburbs during April. There are no women included in the list.

Syt. Ratilal Parekh To Offer Satyagraha On Monday

Syt. Ratilal T. Parekh, the President of the Kandivli Taluka Congress Committee, and a well-known muccadom of Bombay will offer Satyagraha on Monday (17th inst.) at 8 a.m. near station road Kandivli.

Convictions In Bihar

CHAPRA, March 13.

Mr. Suraj Sinha, Secretary, Thana Congress Committee, who offered Satyagraha was sentenced to 6 months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 20 in default 3 months' more.

MUZAFARPUR:—The following Satyagrahis have been convicted for offering Satyagraha under the Defence of India Rules:—

Mr. Shatrughna Sinha of Sakra —8 months and a fine of Rs. 100 in default 2 months more.

Mr. Rajendra Sinha of Belsand —4 months' and a fine of Rs. 50 in default 1 month.

Mr. Ramdayal Sharan of Sheohar 3 months' and a fine of Rs. 25, in default 1 month.

Mr. Basudeo Sinha of Lalganj —3 months and a fine of Rs. 25, in default 1 month.—United Press.

Congress Worker Jailed

MOTIHARI, March 13.

Mr. Danpat Ram, a Congress worker of Chauradano, has been sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 for offering Satyagraha. United Press.

Arrested In C. P. M.'s Office

CALCUTTA, March 14.

A batch of seven youngmen were arrested in front of the room of the Chief Presidency Magistrate this noon, when they rushed to the first floor shouting slogans.

This makes the total number of arrests for similar offences in different courts of the city to 27. —United Press.

Convictions In Madras

MADRAS, March 14.

Following Satyagraha convictions have been reported from the districts:—

Mr. Kasi Viswanatha Mudaliar, Tiruchengode, former president of the Taluk Congress Committee, was sentenced to four months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 300 in default further two months' R. I.

Mr. L. A. Subramania Chettiar of Komarapalayam was sentenced to two months' R. I.

Mr. N. P. Krishnamurthi Chettiar of Narasingapuram, Salem, was sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 10 under the Town Nuisance Act.

Mr. R. A. Kamalapathi Pandaram of Salem was sentenced to eight days R. I. under the Nuisance Act.

Mr. T. Pullareddi, Advocate, Cuddapah, was sentenced to 5 months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 500.

Mr. M. C. Nagireddi, Member, District Board, Cuddapah, was sentenced to 5 months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 200.

Mr. Naga Peddireddi of Cuddapah was sentenced to 2 months' R. I. and a fine of Rs. 150.—A. P.

Fresh List Of Andhra Satyagrahis Approved

MADRAS, March 14.

Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary of the Andhra Provincial Congress Committee has returned from Wardha and says that Mahatma Gandhi has approved a list of 846 names of Satyagrahis submitted by him. With this list the total number of Satyagrahis in Andhra comes to 4,074.—A. P.

A Conference of Provincial Controllers of Supplies has been called for April 8 at New Delhi, mainly to review the work done by them.

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NEW 'CENTRE PARTY' TO OUST CONGRESS AND LEAGUE?

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad's Suggestion To End Deadlock

(Continued from page 1)

seven were being administered under the comprehensive Section 93 of the Government of India Act. That is to say, there were no ministers and the Governors were carrying on the administration with the help of official advisers.

"SHORT-SIGHTED DECISION"

He did not shut his eyes to the real situation. He was aware that the present position arose in October 1939, because the Congress had resigned the Ministries. In his view, the calling out of the Ministers was a short-sighted decision. If the Ministries had continued in their places much of the present trouble in the provinces would not have arisen.

Proceeding, he said that the situation had been further aggravated by the launching of the Satyagraha campaign. He had never concealed his views about this movement. He was a confirmed non-believer in Satyagraha. His views were known to the great originator of the movement, Mahatma Gandhi. He had no doubt that the Mahatma's convictions in this regard were as deep as they were sincere. But he had also no doubt in his mind that it was most unfortunate that the movement should have been started at this juncture and given cause for considerable misunderstanding about their attitude towards the war.

Turning to the war itself, Sir Tej said that there was no doubt about the gravity of the international situation. As the days passed the war was coming nearer to India. He was firmly of the opinion that the fruition of their aims and aspirations depended on the success of Britain in this war.

Although some people were in the habit of comparing Nazism and Fascism with British Imperialism, he had no doubt that on cool reflection they would find that there was a world of difference between the two. He had, however, no desire for discussing any theories. But from a practical point of view it was necessary that Britain should come out successful from this struggle with Nazism.

Dealing with the war effort in this country, he said that if the communiques issued by the Government and the news broadcast were true, money was coming in freely and the pace of recruitment was quite satisfactory. But many of them felt that there was a great deal more which could be done with the co-operation of educated people. It was with a view to help in the successful prosecution of the war that the Conference had been called.

ISOLATED GOVT. OF INDIA

Referring to the Government of India as at present constituted Sir Tej Bahadur said:—"There never has been a Government of India which has been more isolated from the main currents of public opinion as the present one." He thought that the Government should come more and more before the public and not assume that the Legislative Assembly, the Council of State and a few parties represented the whole of India. They should take the public more into their confidence.

Adverting to the political situation he said that the offer of British Government made on August 8, 1940, had been turned down both by the Congress and Muslim League. Whether the reasons for their refusal to accept the offer had been wise or unwise, just or unjust was a matter of the past. What he now wanted to know was what had been done since then. Numerous statements had been made by Mr. L. S. Amery, the Secretary of State for India. In these speeches Mr. Amery had made repeated references to the differences between the Congress and the Muslim League leading to the inference that unless these differences were composed there could be no progress in this country. That was a most unfortunate decision.

COME TO SETTLEMENT

Nobody, he said, would be more happy than himself if the two organisations composed their differences. He would therefore, earnestly and respectfully appeal to the two parties and their august leaders to see things as they were, to grapple with the situation and come to a settlement. They had already exposed themselves to a great deal of ridicule for their inability to arrive at a solution even in such a critical situation. It was necessary that the communal problem must be solved. The present position could not go on. Why not settle the issue now? He hoped that the party leaders would come to a settlement. Any of them were prepared to offer their humble services in this behalf.

Assuming, however, that the two parties were not prepared to compose their differences, what then, he asked. There must be an alternative. "Surely, surely, it does not lie in the mouth of the British Government to say that because these two parties do not compose their differences the rest of the country must be penalised, and must wait till the two parties are in a more reasonable frame of mind". That, he added, was an intolerable situation.

"FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT"

In this respect, he thought the Government had failed. Why could not the Government of India have called a conference of all party leaders? He recalled how in 1917 Lord Chelmsford, had called a conference and how it had given a stimulus to the war. It was important to establish a Government which would command public support.

But the Government argued that those who did not belong to the two main parties, however estimable they might be, had no following in the country. His answer to that objection was that there was a vast mass of unattached opinion which could have been mobilised by the Government of India if they had only taken the initiative in the matter.

It would not be impossible for those, who were called upon to occupy seats of power, if they were worth their salt, to create a large following although the Congress and the Muslim League were bound to oppose them. He could not, therefore, understand the 'non-possumus' attitude of the Government of India. They could not say that the country was devoid of a few men with talent, experience and character, who could not get public support and public help.

BRING THEM TOGETHER

His suggestion, therefore, was that in the first place an attempt should be made to bring together the two principal parties and persuade them to come to an understanding. If that attempt failed an attempt should be made to set up a Government of men who were prepared to offer co-operation not in the spirit of careerists, but men who were prepared to make sacrifices in the interests of the country and who would make room when the parties with a large following agreed to come in.

He appealed to them to put forward these proposals without fear and without hesitation, so that they would attract the attention of those who were speaking in terms of Dominion Status for India. He wanted to tell the British Government that a United India would be a far greater asset to Britain than a disunited India. Let them therefore make their contribution and he was hopeful that there would be an adequate response.

WANTED A DECLARATION

The following is the full text of the resolution moved by Sir N. N. Sircar:—

"While India should not take advantage of Britain's difficulties in her hercic struggle, the Conference is equally desirous that India's domestic problems should not be pressed to her disadvantage. As a first step towards the removal of the present deadlock and until a permanent constitution is brought into force, the Conference desires to emphasize the immediate need for the reconstruction of the Governor-General's Executive Council.

The Conference considers that the present Council, which consists of three European members from the Indian Civil Service, and three Indians of whom two are non-officials and one is a member of the Indian Civil Service, in addition to His Excellency the Viceroy and His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, is neither adequate nor sufficiently representative to organize and direct India's war efforts at this moment of grave peril.

This Conference is anxious that India's defences should be put on a firm basis and that the resources of this great country in men and material should be used to the fullest advantage not only for defending her own frontiers but for helping the British people to the fullest extent possible consistently with the best interests of India.

For the reasons mentioned above, this Conference is of the opinion that the whole Executive Council should consist of non-official Indians drawn from important elements in the public life of the country. This would naturally involve the transfer of all portfolios, including the vital ones of Finance and Defence, to Indians.

CENTRE AND DEFENCE.

The Conference would be content during the period of the war that the reconstructed centre remains responsible to the Crown; and so far as Defence is concerned, the position of the Commander-in-Chief as the executive head of the defence forces of the country should not be in any way prejudiced. At the same time the Conference is strongly of the view that the reconstructed Government should not merely be a collection of departmental heads, but should deal with all important matters of policy on a basis of joint and collective responsibility. In regard to all inter-imperial and international matters, the reconstructed Government should be treated on the same footing as the Dominion Governments.

The Conference is further of the opinion that with a view to create a favourable atmosphere for the working of the reconstructed Central Government, it is necessary to remove the doubts and misgivings of the people of this country as regards the genuineness of the intentions of His Majesty's Government by making a declaration simultaneously with the reconstruction of the Government that within a specified time limit after the conclusion of the war, India will enjoy the same measure of freedom as will be enjoyed by Britain and the Dominions.

The Conference authorizes its President, the Right Hon'ble Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, to communicate the terms of the resolution to His Excellency the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India and to take such other steps as may be necessary to achieve its objects!

Moving the resolution, Sir Nripendranath Sircar said that the Conference had been referred to in sneering terms by a section of the press. Some had called it "a conference of non-descript job-hunters". While a Bombay paper had used the caption "conference of optimists", the speaker was amused to see a Calcutta paper refer to the conference as a conference of pessimists. "Let us not, for the present, talk of pessimism or optimism" said Sir Nripendra "let the demands which we put forward be considered only if they are worth considering."

DEADLOCK AND DRIFT

Continuing, Sir Nripendra said that considerable confusion had arisen over the word "deadlock". Whatever the exact meaning of that word, the speaker was quite certain that it was the result of a policy of drift in which the British Government had persisted. The unfortunate communal differences in India were also responsible for the present stalemate. It was a matter of shame that whenever the question of the transfer of power from British to Indian hands had been raised, the major political parties in India had failed to settle their differences and present a united front. It was a matter for regret that in the face of these difficulties, Britain had failed to show courage and statesmanship. Timidity, procrastination and hesitation were dangerous both on the battlefield and in politics.

Sir Nripendra said that the attitude of the Britisher namely: "Settle your differences; else we will not be able to do justice to you", had never been helpful. He urged the Britisher to deal with the problem with the same courage which they showed on the battlefield during the present war.

APPEAL FOR CONSISTENCY

Referring to the two major political organisations in India namely, the Congress and the Muslim League, Sir Nripendra said that it was not his intention to belittle them. But he wished to point out that so far as the British Government was concerned, the magnitude and strength of these political parties seemed to vary as it suited the Government. So far as the war was concerned, the Congress was a negligible factor but so far as the constitutional progress was concerned, the Congress, from the Government's point of view seemed to be the greatest political organisation in the country. The speaker urged the British Government to be consistent in its attitude.

CONGRESS ATTITUDE

Referring to the demand embodied in the resolution for the reconstitution of the Government at the Centre, Sir Nripendra said that it would be wrong to assume that after such reconstitution, the Congress and the Muslim League would be in the opposition and would torpedo all the measures brought forward by the Government. It was impossible said the speaker, to predict what the attitude of the Congress would be in the future. But he could say, on the strength of two recent statements made by prominent Congressmen, that the present attitude of the Congress towards the Conference was:—"Do not drag us into your conference. We do not want to be participants. But if you secure what you demand, we will be happy."

IS IT IMPERIALIST WAR?

Sir Nripendra next criticised the inconsistency of the Congress in its attitude towards war. At Tripuri the Congress seemed to blame Britain for its weak-kneed policy resulting in the Munich Pact and in the fall of Abyssinia. Later, however, the Congress branded the present war as an Imperialist war. The speaker jocularly said that he did not know the exact meaning of that term. But he was sure the Congress was out to refer to every war in which Britain participated as an Imperialist war.

The later statements of Congress leaders showed the sympathy of the Congress for Britain's cause and the statement of Mahatma Gandhi in September 1939 showed that he was not in favour of stressing the issue of independence of India at a time when Britain was engaged in a

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SIR COWASJI JEHANGIR
"Go out in the country and educate the masses."

SIR CHIMANLAL SETALVAD
"To ask for power and position first and then try to secure popular support is to put things topsy turvy."

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

The Old Cadets of the Indian training ship, "The Dufferin", have started a magazine of their own called "The Indian Sea." It is henceforth to be their official organ. In the Foreward, the editor says: "We produce it because no party or association can develop without its own magazine or paper to voice the views of its members, to keep them informed of the activities of the Association and to voice the grievances and demands of the members in a legitimate manner, as and when they appear." I shouldn't have thought the Old Cadets had any grievances and if they had that the discipline of the service allowed them to voice them in public. It is difficult to judge a magazine by its first edition. One must wait for other copies to appear.

Overheard at a certain local school—Teacher: "Give the principal parts of the verb 'swim.' Intelligent boy: "Swim, swam, swum". Teacher: "Good! Now give the principal parts of the verb 'dim'." Intelligent boy: "Aw, quit yer kiddin'." (Joke told at expense of the Half-Column).

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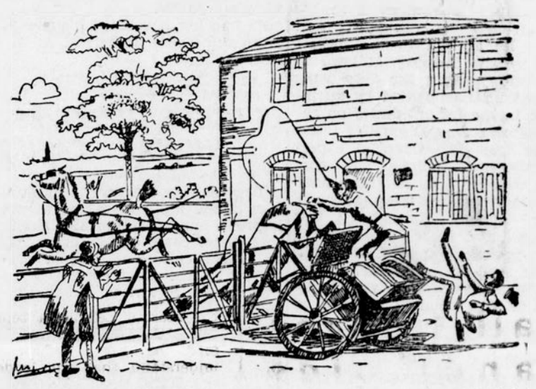

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SIR TEJ BAHADUR'S CONCLUDING REMARKS

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life and death struggle to safeguard her own independence. The latest attitude of the Congress in starting satyagraha however was a complete contradiction of the previous attitude taken by the Congress leaders.

REAL TRANSFER OF POWER

Referring to the demand put forward at the conference for the Defence portfolio being entrusted to an Indian, the speaker said that the acceptance of the demand would mean a real transfer of power. Whatever may be the time-limit fixed for the grant of Dominion Status, the grant of the demand relating to the defence portfolio was a just one. It was of course, necessary, said Sir Nripendra, that the right man should be selected for shouldering the responsibility.

Sir Nripendra also insisted that Indian members of the Executive Council should not be reduced to mere figure heads. He hinted that the general policy followed by the Governor-General so far was to consult only the member-in-charge of the particular department even while deciding matters of policy. It was time that this policy was changed.

In conclusion, Sir Nripendra appealed to the Government: "While we are anxious not to take advantage of your difficulties, please do not take advantage of India's difficulties."

"FOLLOW ENGLAND'S EXAMPLE"

Sir Jagdish Prasad's Advice To Indians

Seconding the resolution, Sir Jagdish Prasad briefly summarised the Conference proposals in the constitutional field.

To his countrymen, he said: "Let us follow the noble example of England by suspending our domestic quarrels in face of the grave dangers that threaten us from without. I trust that the members of the Conference will each, in his own way, endeavour to promote good feeling and harmony and will not consider that their task has ended once they have passed resolutions, made speeches and dispersed. The Conference will also have to set up some permanent machinery to take measures from time to time to achieve the objects of this Conference. There must be no turning back even if calumny, ridicule and disappointments dog our efforts".

If the report be true, he said, that the British Government were prepared in last August to have an Executive Council of 12 members of whom ten were to be Indians, he asked, would there be grave danger if the Council were wholly Indian. "Even if there were a slight risk, it is well worth taking. The psychological effect on the people of such a generous move would be immense."

ARE WE OF NO CONSEQUENCE

With regard to the argument that without the Congress or the Muslim League, a representative Cabinet could not be formed, he asked: "Are we to understand that the leaders of the Sikhs, the Parsis, the Hindu Mahasabha, of the Congress Nationalist Party, the Scheduled Castes, the Indian Christians the Aristocracy of Commerce, Land and Industry, the Liberals are of no consequence in shaping opinion as the present incumbents are alleged to be."

The Maharajadhiraj of Burdwan asked if provinces could do with Indian Ministers, why not the Centre? They should, however, make it a point, in the light of their past experience to see that at any Imperial or War Conference India could be represented by the Indians only if they had a voice in it. India must be treated on the same footing as other Dominions. This would also apply to the situation after the termination of the war.

"FORM A POWERFUL CENTRE PARTY"

Sir Chimanlal's Plain Speaking

Speaking briefly on the resolution, Sir Chimanlal Setalvad said that though he fully supported the demand for the nationalisation of the Government of India and the Defence forces, he did not consider the proposals put forward in the resolution in this connection as worthy of support because they did not take note of the realities of the situation. The Conference sought to suggest that the Governor-General's Executive Council should be immediately reconstructed by appointing only Indians on it. He pointed out that under the present circumstances such a Council would not be having any effective support in the legislature or outside.

Sir Chimanlal said:—

"As the Congress and the Muslim League refuse co-operation in the matter of reconstitution of the Executive Council, the persons who can be appointed as Executive Councillors will be outside these bodies. I may not deny that there are eminent people outside these bodies who do not yield in patriotism to any one and would make efficient Executive Councillors at the centre. It must however be stated that these gentlemen will have no effective backing in the legislature and in the country."

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad next referred to the theory propounded by a previous speaker that any one who was in power could secure popular support.

"To ask for power and position first and then try to secure popular support is to put things topsy turvy", said. Sir Chimanlal. He pointed out that the "Ministries had to be thrown open to the Congress because it had large popular support.

TWO ALTERNATIVES.

The Conference, he said, could end the present deadlock by two ways. He urged that the promoters of the Conference should negotiate between the Congress, the Muslim League, the British Government and the Hindu Mahasabha who had brought about the deadlock. In the alternative, Sir Chimanlal suggested that they could inaugurate a powerful Centre Party and obtain for it the support of the people so that they could get a sufficient number of their members elected to the legislature and thus be able to carry on the Government.

C. J. WANTS TO EDUCATE MASSES!

Sir Cowasji Jehangir supported the views put forward by Sir Chimanlal Setalvad.

The need of the hour, he said, was to secure the whole-hearted support of India for Britain's war effort. How could this be done unless something was done to secure the sympathy and support of the people?

Continuing, Sir Cowasji said that unless there was a coalition Government there could not be an Indian in charge of the Defence portfolio. The danger of having an Indian without a coalition Government would be that if a Muslim was appointed, the Hindus would resent and vice versa.

Sir Cowasji urged the promoters to muster courage and tell the two major political parties what the conference thought of them and if possible, form a party to go out in the country and educate the masses.

After lunch, Kunwar Maharajsingh deplored the fact that the representatives of the Congress and the Muslim League were not present at the Conference. Nobody knew better than he the troubles in convening the conference and bringing together the two major political parties.

He humorously stated that there was another section which was not represented at the Conference and that was women and he would not be surprised, if at the next session of the All-India women's Conference a resolution, reprimanding them, for not having representatives of 200 million women, were to be passed.

But still he felt that the conference was not wholly unrepresentative. Replying to the argument that the proposed Central Executive Council would not be representative, he wanted to know whom the present Home and Finance Ministers at the centre represented.

REALISTIC VIEWS

Dr. Shyamprasad Mukherji emphasised that the Central Government should be reconstituted and must be made responsive to the public.

He, however, did not like that portion of the resolution which stated that the proposed expanded Executive Council, should be responsible to the crown. No self-respecting man would like it, because a national cabinet could be only responsible to the national legislature. But they had to take a realistic view and frankly he was anxious to see that elaborate arrangements were made for the defence of the country.

The present situation was not satisfactory and the solution could not be deemed as a permanent one and the resolution before them would certainly put them on the right path for a real political advance.

DIRECT ACTION ADVOCATED

Sir Jogendra Singh supporting the resolution said that it was conducive to settle the deadlock. Gandhiji's method was undoubtedly noble and had been tried since the days of Buddha. But still violence persisted and the human weaknesses could not be lost sight of.

Sardar Sant Singh felt that Government should be made to feel that if nothing was going to be done, there would be trouble in the country. There were lessons of history before them. There must be some action on their part which would create an impression. The refusal to pay income-tax, for example, would create such an impression. There would also be moral sanction for the same.

Interrupted by shouts that the action was tantamount to Civil Disobedience and Satyagraha and went beyond the scope of the resolution, the Sardar said that he would not pursue the matter.

Dr. R. P. Paranjpe supporting the resolution observed that there were two ways of improving the situation. One was Civil Disobedience and there were people who believed in Gandhiji's "stunts". There was another way and that was to occupy positions of vantage and use it to the country's advantage.

Mr. V. N. Chandavarkar, said that the resolution before them approximated 99 per cent., to the one adopted at the December session of the National Liberal Federation, last year. Now they had assembled there forgetting their party labels but not forgetting their background. History, both here and in England, taught them to avoid what was called "Party of eccentrics" based on political expediency. They wanted a clear-cut attitude and the resolution before the Conference would serve the purpose and might be of much utility.

LIBERAL VERSUS LIBERAL

Pandit Hridayanath Kunzru, speaking as a Liberal, recalled that in July last his party came to the conclusion that in view of the war situation, the Viceroy should be asked to undertake constitutional reforms and one of their demands was that the Defence member should be an Indian. Sir Chimanlal Setalvad and Sir Cowasji Jehangir agreed with the demand which was placed before the Viceroy while waiting on a deputation before h'm. He read out the subsequent resolution passed at their session which he said was identical to the present one.

Referring to the interruption of Sir Cowasji, he said that to say that Sir Cowasji did not attend the session was a poor defence.

There was no reason, in his opinion, to take a pessimistic outlook about the Conference. Nor was it political wisdom to ask the major parties to eat the humble pie and come to a settlement. The political parties, on the other hand, might appreciate the wisdom of their move, with the result that the deadlock might be resolved.

Concluding he said that it was better to go down after making an effort than not to have made one at all and allow despair to overcome them and paralyse their capacities.

Dr. B. S. Moonje said that there were no communal problems in India till they were manufactured by the British Government. Having created the communal problem it was very unfair and unjust of the government to plead the problem against us. It was the special responsibility of the government to lay the ghost they had themselves raised.

He thought that if the Governor-General's Executive Council was reconstructed according to

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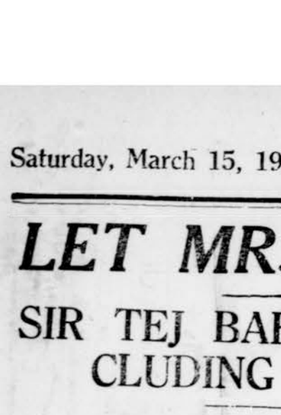

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CAPITAL:						
Authorised Capital	60,00,000	0	0			
Issued and Subscribed Capital	47,92,800	0	0			
Called and Paid-up Capital	..			12,79,280	0	0
Reserve Fund ..	..			15,00,000	0	0
Investment Reserve Fund ..	..			1,15,665	5	9
Contingent Fund ..	..			93,725	11	5
Provision for Income-tax and Super-tax	..			55,022	3	10
Deposits ..	..			5,11,64,840	6	2
Dividends not drawn ..	..			31,075	15	9
Bills for collection ..	..			21,03,069	4	8
Sundries including Rebate on Bills, Branch adjustment, etc. ..	..			72,76,956	6	7
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT:						
Balance Brought Forward from 1939	26,683	4	9			
Net Profit for 1940 ..	4,18,167	5	0			
	4,44,850	9	9			
LESS:						
Ad interim Dividend at 10 per cent per annum for the half year ended 30th June, 1940. 63,964	0	0				
Placed to Reserve Fund 1,00,000	0	0				
Placed to Investment Reserve Fund 29,636	11	6				
	1,93,600	11	6			
				2,51,249	14	3
TOTAL ..	..			6,38,70,885	4	5

ASSETS:

	Rs.	A.	P.
Cash on hand and at Bankers in Current Account	1,08,30,574	11	6
Investments in Government of India and other Trustee Securities, and in Loans of Native States and of Local Authorities therein	78,81,283	14	11
Central & Provincial Government Treasury Bills	70,34,156	4	0
Deposits in State Savings Bank Account and with Banks at call and investment of Staff Security in Scheduled Banks	8,62,844	4	6
Shares of Reserve Bank of India and Joint Stock Company and Debentures of Joint Stock Company and other investments	2,10,300	0	0
Loans, Overdrafts, Bills Discounted, Bills Purchased, Promissory Notes, Temporary Overdrafts and other debts	2,97,14,732	14	6
Bank Buildings	1,79,348	4	8
Safes, Furniture, Books and Stationery ..	2,76,357	11	4
Bills for Collection	21,03,069	4	8
Sundries including interest accrued on investments and other assets	47,78,217	14	4
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Release Of Three New pictures To-day

Vanamala in Asha Pictures' "Gharjavai" at West End.

'Padosi' And 'Shejari'

You Must See Both; And Why?

When a great film comes, people flock to see it and critics rush to write about it. Often, the audience and the critics alike, however, miss a great point.

That has happened to the Prabhat picture "Padosi". There is much in it that a spectator will miss at his first visit to the show. The subtle touches that Shantaram gives his pictures, are subjects for fascinating study. They are too numerous to be taken in at the first sight. They contribute to the emotional authenticity of the atmosphere, and make the story more highly dramatic.

But, once the story is grasped, it pays to see "Padosi" again—more than once. It is exhilarating to sit back in one's seat, and watch the montages, suggestions and special effects as they crop up from unexpected corners. One finds them almost in every sequence, the credit titles not excepted.

That is as far as the lay spectator is concerned. As for the specialised criticism and appreciations appearing in the press, while the style and the volume of these writings are alike, commensurate with the greatness of the picture, it is nevertheless true that some one emphasized that there is not merely a "Padosi" but a "Shejari" as well.

"Shejari", of course, is the Marathi version of the Hindustani "Padosi". But it claims attention in its right; Rather, each version claims individual attention by virtue of its being a version of the other.

The person whose interest in films is anything more than skin-deep, owes it to himself to see "Padosi" as well as "Shejari". It is surprising that the press generally appears to have missed this point.

For, in each of the two versions, is a set of brilliant stars—and a different one from that in the other. With Jagirdar and Thengdi alone in common, "Padosi" has Mazhar, Anis, and Balwant Singh, while "Shejari" has Datey, Jayashree and Chandrakant. That is as far as the leading stars go.

In the supporting cast, too, there are interesting changes from one version to the other; and the supporting players have a greater importance in this picture than generally comes to the lot of a supporting cast.

It would be unfair to say that one set is better than the other. But it would be quite fair to say that both are up to the Prabhat standard, and that a comparison affords fascinating study.

Nalini Jaywant in "Radhika" National Studios' devotional at Pathe in third week.

'Virginia' At Minerva

Paragon's Fine Maiden Film

Paragon Pictures' maiden picture 'Virginia' produced as a novel experiment in movie making by K. M. Multani will have its premiere to-day (Saturday) at Minerva.

Apart from mere novelty, the picture commands attention on other merits. Like any other new picture 'Virginia' has a story as absorbing as you have, ever witnessed. The story, set in the ancient atmosphere of 'Good Old—Rome with its Great Empire, revolves about a Roman General's wife, Virginia. While her husband is on the battle field, leading Roman army in the war against Greeks, she prays for his victory invoking the blessings of God Jupiter. God Jupiter, who listens to her prayers and beholds her beauty through the magic glass, is infatuated by her charms, and comes down to earth to win her love. Realizing that Virginia comes little for any man except her husband, Titus, he takes the form of the general. Unable to see through this trick, Virginia wild with joy to see her husband (disguised God Jupiter infact) back, lavishes loving caresses on him. Next day returns her real husband with the victorious Roman army. His conduct bewilders Virginia, and he in turn carried away by gossips, accuses her of unfaithlessness. The presence of two 'Titus' leads to many confusions, which provide delightful comedy until in the end Juno, Jupiter's wife appears on the scene and clears up the fog that has almost ruined the happiness of Virginia.

This story affords not only absorbing entertainment but also much scope for lavish spectacle; and to depict these spectacular scenes with as much elaboration as required, Multani, the enterprising director, has introduced new innovations in the production of this picture. As it was beyond his limited resources to construct sets and produce all the lavishness so essential in a picture of this type, he found the way out of this impasse by deciding to produce a version of a foreign spectacular picture. This decision has enabled him to present before the Indian audiences the splendour and spectacle which is only witnessed in foreign films. But for this departure from the routine way of movie making 'Virginia' has all the elements that go into the production of any Hindi picture.

This fact must be borne in mind while watching this picture at Minerva to-day.

It may be added here that there is nothing foreign about the story, because, we in India know the ancient story of Ahilya, Gautama and God Indra, which is very similar to this.

As regards songs and dialogues it may be stated here that the dialogues are written by Aga Jani Kashmiri the author of 'Vachan' and 'Bharosa', and songs by Ahsan Rizvi, the famous song composers. Manjula plays the role of Virginia with Pratap as Titus and W. M. Khan, as God Jupiter, David, Jamila and others lead the supporting cast of thousands. Musical score by Khan Mastana is said to be another attraction of this spectacular film.

"The Kick" At The Chitra

In every phase of our life we are subjected to the kicks of fate. This universally acknowledged principle is vividly portrayed in the Ranjit picture "The Kick" (Thokar) now being screened at the Chitra (Dadar).

Madhuri, Kumar, Chrlie are featured in "The Kick."

"Lagan" Coming Shortly

New Theatres' new picture 'Lagan' directed by Nitin Bose will be shortly released in Bombay. After a long time Saigal will be there in it with Kananbala. Nawab and Jagdeesh are also there.

'Pardesi' In Fourth Week

Ranjits Pardesi at Novelty is a fine entertainment to laugh away your blues. It is the story of a sister's love for her brother, both of whom are victims of an earthquake. The story opens with it an earthquake scene and is further very well developed.

Motilal, Khurshid and Snehaprabha in title roles have put over very good performances, both musical and histrionic. This picture is a triumph for Chaturbhuj Doshi, who has directed it.

BOMBAY FILM DIARY

CENTRAL—"Padosi" and its Marathi version "Shejari," starring Datey and Jagirdar in the latter and Mazharkhan and Jagirdar in the former, Jayashree takes leading role as girl star in Marathi version and Anis Khatoon in Hindustani. (8th week).

IMPERIAL—"Prabhat" Tarun Pictures new social featuring Shanta Hublikar and P. Jairaj.

KRISHNA—"Samajna Vanke" Gujrat Kaladmandir's new social featuring Kamla Varerkar Champaklala Balabai and Baby Manjula.

LAMINGTON—"Pardesi" Ranjit's new film, starring Motilal, Khurshid and Snehaprabha. (3rd week).

MAJESTIC—"Punarmilan" of Bombay Talkies, starring Kishore Sahu and Snehaprabha. Excellent dances. (11th week.)

MINERVA—"Virginia", Paragon's adaptation of French film. Manjula and Pratap starring.

OPERA HOUSE—"Rajnartaki" Wadia's first trilingual picture Sadhona Bose, Prithviraj and Ahin Chawdhry starring Beautiful dances. (6th week).

PATHE—"Radhika", starring Nalini Jaywant. Fine devotional. (2nd week).

ROXY—Bombay Talkies' "Bandhan", starring Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar with V. H. Desai, Suresh, etc. Very entertaining. (30th week).

WEST END—'Gharjawai' starring Vanmala and Shobhana Samarth. Social Comedy Screenplay by P. K. Atre. Asha Pictures' maiden production. (2nd week).

"KAZANCHI" COMING TO KRISHNA

Curiosity alone will lead thousands to the Krishna Cinema shortly, to see "Khazanchi" (The Cashier). For, it is the first picture produced in Hindi in the Punjab; and few people here have heard of pictures produced in the land of the five rivers.

"Khazanchi" is produced by Pancholi, a name behind which stands experience, reputation and prestige in the distribution and exhibition branches of the film industry. Its quality and worth have already been tested and proved. For, in the Punjab, "Khazanchi" is piling up box-office grosses that should gladden the most avericious producer.

Lest it be thought that this success of "Khazanchi" is due to provincial favouritism, it is necessary to emphasize here that the Punjab, to the annoyance of some people, is drastically impartial in its film patronage. The province has come to be known in trade circles as the touchstone of the film industry. And at no time did this impartiality make itself more felt than when the Punjab refused to patronize certain films made locally in the Punjabi language.

"Khazanchi" then, comes to us with a recognised reputation. It also comes with a significant recommendation; for it is being distributed in Western India by Famous Pictures Ltd., who may be relied on to be jealous enough of their own reputation to avoid connection with any unworthy product.

SUNDAY SHOW AT CAPITOL

On Sunday morning at 10-30 "It's Love I'm After" with Bette Davis, Olivia de Havilland and Leslie Howard will be shown at the Capitol.

Nawab and Saigal in New Theatre's new film 'Lagan' shortly coming to Bombay.

'Prabhat' At Imperial

Shanta Hublikar In Stellar Role

Tarun Pictures' second Social "Prabhat" which will have its all India Premiere at the Imperial Cinema, to-day, is a social picture which has a definite message of social progress.

Imperial Cinema, Bombay now thoroughly renovated for the occasion of "Prabhat's" premiere with new and novel machinery together with other comforts for the picturegoers, will henceforth be an ideal rendezvous for the elite of Bombay. With Tarun Pictures' "Prabhat" it begins a new life in showmanship.

"Prabhat" has all the ingredients of a class entertainment. With the front rank stars like Shanta Hublikar of 'Admi' fame who sang "Kis Liye kal ki Bat," Jairaj, the hero of "Bhabhi", Vatsala Kumtekar Kalyani, Nazir Bedi, Mirza Mushrraf, Fakir Mohamed, etc., it has a story of a modern young boy Satish son of a wealthy but orthodox millowner Tejpal Sheth and Usha, a college girl, poor and born in a lower community. These young souls, have new ideals of life, love and marriage. They do not believe in orthodox cast marriages. They struggle to revolutionize the worn-out age old customs.

"Prabhat" is written by Mr M. G. Dave, who wrote "Narsi Bhagat". In "Prabhat" he excells his previous hits. It is directed by Mr. V. M. Vyas and set to delightful music by Mr. Shanti Kumar and special music for certain Shanta Hublikar's songs by Annasahib Mainkar.

Shanta Hublikar in 'Prabhat' of Tarun Pictures coming to Imperial from to-day.

"Radhika" Becomes Popular

Radhika, released on February 28th has become an instantaneous success. Originally booked for release a week earlier, it was held up because the full Board of Film Censors wanted to see it.

The picture is becoming more and more popular as the days go by as, in addition to its being a vehicle for National Studios' new star, Nalini Jaywant, its devotional theme is of great appeal to the people. It breaks new ground in the production of this class of pictures as it does not deal with the life of any saint or any mythological incident, but has an appeal to the modern mind.

Representatives of many leading religious organisations in Bombay saw it and have expressed the utmost admiration for the way it deals with some of the most pertinent problems of modern life.

Ramola in 'Khazanchi', a Pancholi Art picture soon to be released at Krishna Talkies

Gharjawai Fit For Holi

Atre's New Comedy Romance At West End

Marathi speaking Bombay should be expected to rave over the delightful comedy and romance in Asha Pictures 'Ghar Jawai' which is attracting elite picturegoers in large number since its release last Saturday at New West End. In fact, those who witnessed the premiere show are very enthusiastic in their comments over the picture, and thus they are doing a good word-of-mouth publicity for it and it is good for the picture during the Holi holidays.

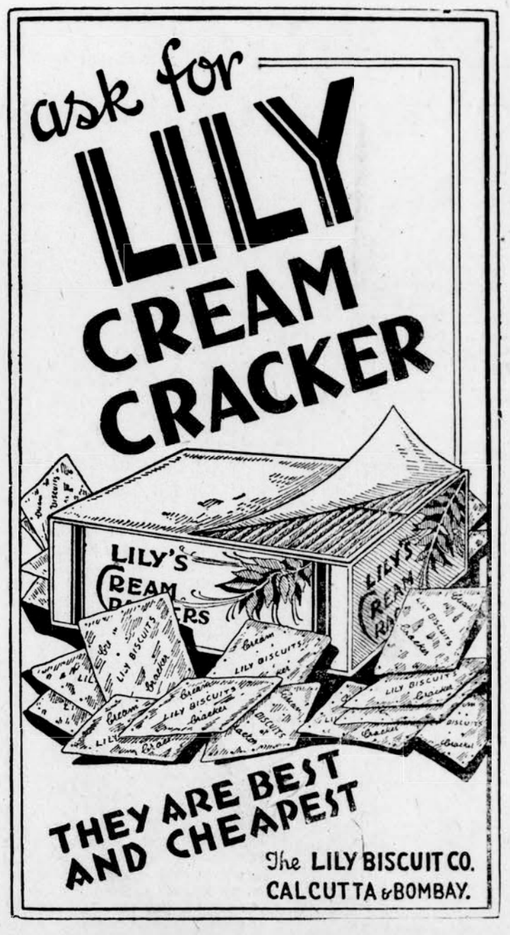
Apart from the reaction of a particular class of picturegoers, 'Ghar Jawai' will win the admiration of all discriminating picturegoers. For, in the first place 'Ghar Jawai, is a comedy of circumstances. It relates a very amusing story of a young solicitor whose actions are misunderstood by all his friends and acquaintances including his beloved; a carefree romantic crazy girl with her flippancy only helps to give the misunderstanding a serious complex so much so that because of her irresponsible behaviour the young solicitor loses his job as well as his beloved. Another character which adds to the complications is an old man from Kolhapur whose niece has decided to marry the young solicitor. All the characters and complications are handled by the author with skill; both in creating comedy and presenting romance, Atre has shown himself to be a master scenarist. The result is that the audiences laugh one moment and are thrilled by the romance in the next moment, and when they come out they do not know what to say about Atre's screenplay.

The settings are modern and smart in keeping with the sophisticated atmosphere, the photography is polished and smart and one must admit that seldom before one had seen Bombay so beautifully photographed on the Indian screen. Music, too, has the same smartness that characterizes the whole production; the song tunes and background musical score composed by Annasaheb Mainkar are equally delightful and modern. Direction by Kumarsen Samarth is imaginative. For the excellent production values Mr. Mote, the enterprising producer, deserves high plaudits.

SUNDAY SHOW AT REGAL

"Jamaica Inn" with Charles Laughton will be shown at the Regal Theatre on Sunday, 15th March, 1941 at 10-30 a.m.

Manjula and Pratap in Paragon's 'Virginia' coming to Minerva from to-day.



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HOCKEY:

Deolali Sports Club Impress

B. B. AND C. I. RAILWAY "B" BEATEN IN AGA KHAN TOURNEY

	Goals.
ST. MARY'S OLD BOYS	3
LUSITANIANS "B"	1
DEOLALI S. C.	3
B. B. & C. I. "B"	2

Deolali Sports Club impressed on Friday when they eliminated the B. B. and C. I. Railway "B" in the preliminary round of the Aga Khan Hockey Tournament by three goals to two. Deolali have three clever forwards in Anwar Beg, Sattar and Saleem, a good half-back in Bessant and a fine pair of backs, Gerard and Brijban. They should not have difficulty in going into the tournament proper.

In another match played earlier in the afternoon St. Mary's Old Boys defeated the second string of the Lusitanian Sports Club by three goals to one.

LUSITANIANS "B" OUT

St. Mary's were the better side to start with. They failed to put to purpose two penalty corners.

This superiority lasted for ten minutes when the Lusitanians "B" pulled themselves together and had the Old Boys' defence in difficulties. The 'Lusis' might have taken the lead had Proudfoot not brought off a good save when Rathos tested him. For the last thirteen minutes of the period exchanges were shared but St. Mary's were great opportunists. Five minutes from half-time the Old Boys' went ahead through Durham. Two minutes later Roberts again got the better of Rocha, the Lusitanian goal-keeper, who was proving a poor goalie.

The Lusitanians assumed the offensive but this was not for very long, St. Mary's meant to keep their lead and the ball was seen in both areas in turn.

A good movement by the Lusitanians gave Rathos an opening and he beat Proudfoot with a first timer. Before the end a penalty bully took St. Mary's to three, Francis smartly converting the award. St. Mary's Old Boys retired winners by three goals to one.

The teams were:—

ST. MARY'S OLD BOYS: Proudfoot, W right and Baker; Williams, Quereshi and Bean; Maze, Roberts, Wilkins, Durham and Francis.

LUSITANIANS "B":—Rocha, Fernandez and Dias; Hillar, Heras and DeHellous; Misquitt, Menezes, Rathos, Hender and Rodrigues.

DEOLALI PLAY WELL

In the opening stages the B. B. and C. I. Railway were seen in the Deolali area. The visitors, however, crossed over in the third minute and showed they had quite a useful forward line. The seventh minute saw them take the lead, Anwar Beg, meeting a forward pass, beat Jackson, in the Railway goal, cleverly from close quarters.

The B. B. and C. I. fought back and Marsh, in the Deolali goal, saved smartly from McHugh. In the next second he kept Foster from scoring, when the latter flashed in a shot off the rebound.

The team were equal for some time but the Deolali forward line were showing better understanding, and in the fifteenth minute they earned a second point, Anwar Beg again being the scorer.

The issue after this was hotly contested and both defences had a busy time. In closing minutes of the half, however, the B. B. and C. I. proved the better side. Foster reduced the lead with a beautiful scoop past Marsh. The same player would have put the sides on terms, as he had Marsh again at his mercy, but McHugh ran into an offside position at the all-important moment.

There was little to chose between the teams after the break. This was so till midway through the period. The B. B. and C. I. forwards then showed up, but they found in Gerard and Brijban a perfect pair of backs. Bessant, the left half-back, also fell back at critical times and did good work.

Things were not one sided as Deolali remained dangerous and whenever they broke away it nearly always looked a goal. They did get a third point, Saleem converting a penalty bully. Pereira was responsible for this award against the B. B. and C. I., he intercepted, on his shins, a hot shot from Anwar Beg. Pereira got the worst of the bully. The Railway made frantic efforts to save the issue. Two minutes from the end McHugh managed to reduce the lead, but the B. B. and C. I. failed to draw level and went out of the tournament.

The teams were:—

DEOLALI SPORTS CLUB: Marsh, Gerard and Brijban; Abdul Gani, Abdul Hannan and Bessant; O'Connor, Anwar Beg, Sattar, Saleem and B. V. Khan.

B. B. & C. I. RLY. 'B': Jackson, Pereira and Harper; De Souza, Heredia and D'Mello; Clarke, Foster, McHugh, Almeida and Loveday.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Bombay Gymkhana ground—4-15 p. m. Maharashtra Gymkhana v. Khatau Sports Club, 5-30 p. m. Brijraj Young Men v. Young Sports.

Draw For Aga Khan Tournament Proper

Bye. G. I. P. Railway v. Bareilly nobles.

Bye Brothers Club, Lahore.

Crescent S. C., Karachi v. Winners of "D"

Customs A. C. v. Y. M. C. A., Lahore.

Baria State Team v. Winners of "C".

Rawalpindi Dist. H. A. v. Kirkee United.

Bhagwant Club v. Varsity Old Boys, Lahore.

Belgaum Sports Club v. Bhopal Wanderers.

B. B. and C. I. Railway v. Winners of "B".

Kalighat Club, Calcutta v. Muslim S. C., Nagpur.

Manavadar State Team v. Winners of "A".

Bye. St. Xaviers College "A" v Karachi Goans Assn.

Bye Bombay City Police v. Kalyanmal S.C., Indore)

Junior Aga Khan Final

The large crowd of young supporters of St. Mary's and St. Xavier's High Schools had good reason to cheer and cheer during the final of the Junior Aga Khan Hockey Tournament which was played on the B. P. H. A. on Friday and which ended in a pointless draw.

Both schools gave of their best on the field and nothing better could have been seen than the clean and dour struggle of these 22 lads, fighting for laurels for their School.

On the run of play St. Mary's were slightly the better side, but St. Xavier's must still be thinking of the last minute sitter that was missed by W. De Souza. The replay of the final will be on Monday.

The teams were:—

ST. MARY'S: W. Dane; L. Gow and F. Amborta, D. Arathoon, J. Dias and W. Williams, M. Santa Clara, A. Jorge, A. Gardner, F. Mitchel and K. Johnson.

ST. XAVIERS: B. Lobo; A. Pereira and F. Lobo; M. Vaz, L. Ferrao and A. D'Costa; D. Almeida, T. Fernandes, X. Pinheiro W. D'Souza and F. D'Souza.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE

The Finals of Cordeiro Women's Hockey League will be played at the St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel on Sunday April 16.

Junior Final—at 4-20 p. m. Senior Final—at 5-30 p. m. Bombay Greys v. Vincent Club "A". These two local leading teams will fight hard for championship of the League, and a fine display of Hockey will be witnessed in this important fixture in women's hockey.

SPORTS' BEST FOR WAR WEEK

Exhibition Tennis And Classic Athletic Events Form Highlight At Brabourne Stadium

People gazed skywards on Friday when they saw an aeroplane hovering over the city and dropping quantities of leaflets. Some still wonder what it was all about—it heralded in Bombay's big "War Week". The "Week" actually starts to-day. A very ambitious programme has been planned, and includes spectacular military displays, film exhibitions and revels. Sports is to form a big part of the week's great doings.

To-day, Saturday, will see the start of a monster athletic meeting at the Brabourne Stadium commencing at 2-30 p.m. All the field and track events of an important sports gathering have been included in the programme, added to these are a number of events for cyclists. An entry fee of annas eight per event per head will be charged.

All prominent local athletes, we are told, are participating and talent from outside are out to lower the feats of our local champions.

Besides the athletic meeting being for the highest cause we could wish for, the fixture is going to be a class sports gathering where only the best will be seen and must be an event that all sports fans should see.

This athletic meeting will be continued on Sunday at the Brabourne Stadium, a start being made at 2-30 p.m.

TENNIS STARS DO THEIR BIT.

On Sunday our tennis stars will do their bit and a number of exhibition matches will be staged on the centre court of the Cricket Club of India. This venue adjoins the Brabourne Stadium. The stars that are to participate are players whose names have been in the headlines of every newspaper in India and are not of local notoriety alone. Among the participants are: Miss Leela Row, Miss K. Haji, J. Charanjiva, F. Bekkevold, J. E. Tew and M. Bhandari. Tennis is scheduled to start on Sunday, at 4-30 p.m.

Tennis fans are assured of an afternoon's splendid sport of a high order.

Monday will see a mechanised column parading through the mill area from noon until 1 p.m. At 4 p.m. "Prabhat" will be staged at the Imperial Cinema. There will be a second military display at the Esplanade Maidan at 5 p.m., the programme including naval gun drill and displays by tanks, armoured cars and machine-guns. Demonstrations in first aid, stretcher drill, bandaging and ambulance work will be given and a military and will play at a display at Worli from 5-30 to 6-45.

Tuesday's programme includes the sale of Defence Savings certificates and stamps at the Esplanade Maidan from 10 a.m. to 6-30 p.m. At 4 p.m. "Mere Sajan" will be staged at the Super Cinema and at 5 p.m the Governor will be present at a military display at the Esplanade Maidan. There will be another military display from 6 p.m. and a military band will play and demonstrations in ambulance work will be given at the Victoria Gardens from 5-30 p.m. A display of aerobatics will take place from 5-45 p.m.

Military display at Dongri, the Esplanade Maidan and Victoria Gardens from 12 noon to 6-45 p.m. form the main items on the programme for Wednesday, March 19. There will also be a display of formation flying from 5 p.m. and the day's programme closes with "Tin Pan Alley" at the Regal at 10 p.m.

On Thursday "Radhika" will be shown at the Pathe Cinema at 4 p.m. and military displays will follow at the Esplanade Maidan from 5 p.m. and at Dongri and Worli maidans from 6 p.m. A Police Concert at the Eros at 10 p.m. closes the programme.

On Friday, there will be displays by a mechanised column along Mahomedali Road, Sandhurst Road, Lamington Road, and Queen's Road from noon and on the Esplanade Maidan from 5 p.m.

On Saturday, March 22, a Rollicking Revels Carnival and Children's Fancy Carnival will be staged on the Co-operage from 5 p.m. The many attractions include a cabaret, dancing, side shows and refreshments. The show will be opened by Lady Lumley. At the same time a military display will take place at the Esplanade Maidan; and a military band will play at Worli from 5-30 p.m.

On the closing day Sunday, March 23, the Rollicking Revels Carnival will again be staged on the Co-operage from 5 p.m. A hockey match between Bombay and the Rest of India will be played on the Bombay Gymkhana Ground at 5-30 in the presence of the Governor. There will be a military display and a route march, with tanks, armoured cars, British troops, naval rating and bands, along Mahomedali and Sandhurst Roads and the Marine Drive from 5 p.m. to 6-30 p.m.

Soccer

GRAND CLUB OF CORTALIM TOURNAMENT

Last year only 10 Clubs entered the Grand Club of Cortalim Tournament. This year 26 well-known Goan Clubs participated and the Tournament has reached its concluding stage.

The quarter final will be played to-day between the Grand Club of Velim (Holders) and the Club of Assolna (Boa-Morte). The Semi-finals will be played on Sunday at the Backbay Ground. The first Semi-final between the Grand Club of Navelim "A" and Club of A. Mocidad de Varca at 4-15 p.m. the second Semi-final is between the Grand Club of Oxel and the winner of to-day's quarter-final.

Both the semi-finals should be of great interest as all the teams that have reached the penultimate round have shown good form.

This year the Tournament offers three trophies, the Senior Cup, the A. S. Dias Challenge Shield, and the "Baltazar and Sons Hard Lines Cup" as it is called, and presented by that sports loving Goan Mr. Baltazar M. Rodrigues.

There will be two matches for Hard Lines Cup. Game between the loosing Semi-finalists, this game will be played on March 21 at the Cross Maidan and the winners of this will play against the Grand Club of Benaulim on March 23 at the Backbay Ground. The provisional date of this match is March 30.

High Court

WHO IS AN "INCOME-TAX PRACTITIONER?"

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Kania)

C. M. Shah: Petitioner v. A. L. Kazi, Income-Tax Officer 'G' Ward, Bombay: Respondent.

This was a petition under the Specific Relief Act of 1877 for an order that the respondent be directed to accept and recognise the attendance of the petitioner as income-tax practitioner within Section 61 (2)(iv) (a) of the Indian Income-Tax Act and that the respondent should hear him and permit him to act on behalf of assessees.

In his petition the petitioner stated that since the year 1933 he had been practising as an income-tax expert and agent and had appeared and acted before the income-tax authorities in Bombay and at Ahmedabad. On 5th April 1940, the petitioner attended before the respondent in connection with the assessment of one Raichand Premchand for 1939/40, when the respondent as income-tax officer, refused to hear the petitioner on the ground that he was neither a lawyer nor an accountant, nor "any person who, before the 1st day of April 1938 attended before an income-tax authority on behalf of any assessee" within the meaning of the amended Section 61 (2) (iv) (a) of the Indian Income-Tax Act and ordered that the petitioner should not act on behalf of the assessee. Aggrieved by this, the petitioner presented this petition to the High Court.

On behalf of the respondent it was contended that before 1st April 1938 the petitioner had attended before income-tax authorities merely as an assistant in the firm of Messrs. Nagindas and Manekial, Income-Tax Agents, and therefore, under the Income-Tax Act as amended he was not entitled to appear before Income-Tax authorities.

His lordship found that apart from the cases in which he appeared on behalf of the firm of Messrs. Nagindas and Manekial, the petitioner had also himself appeared before Income-Tax authorities prior to 1st April 1938 and so was an "income-tax practitioner" within the amended Section 61 (2) (iv) (a) of the Indian Income-Tax Act and was entitled to appear before them for assessees.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Messrs. Payne and Co. appeared for the petitioner.

Mr. V. F. Taraporewalla instructed by the Solicitor to the Central Government at Bombay, Mr. D. H. Nanavati, appeared for the respondent.

Injunction Against Bhatia Mitra Mandal

A suit filed by Mr. Vallabhdas Govardhandas, a member of the Shree Ghatkopar Bhatia Mitra Mandal, for having struck him off the roll of membership and which had created a sensation at Ghatkopar was decided by the F. C. Sub-Judge, Thana and the following order was passed:—

It is hereby declared that the resolution passed by the meeting of the Shree Ghatkopar Bhatia Mitra Mandal held on 19-8-39 striking out the plaintiff from the roll of membership is hereby set aside. It is further declared that the plaintiff had never ceased to be a member of the said Mandal and has continued to be a member of the Mandal in spite of the resolution dated 19-8-1939. The defendants and other members of the Shree Ghatkopar Bhatia Mitra Mandal are hereby restrained by a permanent injunction from preventing the plaintiff from exercising all the rights of a member of that Mandal and getting all benefits arising out of such membership. Parties to bear their own costs of this suit.

Mr. M. B. Anklesaria, Advocate, appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. W. P. Oka appeared for the defendants.

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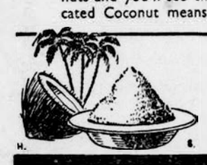

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Teachers' Annual Gala Day

(From A Correspondent.)

The Bombay Secondary Teachers' Association has been doing very useful work in the cause of education for the past several years, it has been responsible for the growing consciousness of and professional solidarity among members of the teaching profession.

By its manifold activities—debates, lectures, conferences, periodicals, socials and its magazine—it has made its weight felt in educational matters of the Province of Bombay.

Through the medium of representative deputation to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay and the Director of Public Instruction Bombay, the Association has succeeded in focussing the attention of the respective authorities to some urgent problems pertaining to the scope and methods of Secondary Education in province as well as to the rather sordid lot of the average secondary teacher.

During the last three years, a band of workers have succeeded not only in causing membership of the association to go up by leaps and bounds but also succeeded in infusing in the members a professional 'esprit de corps' which augurs well for the future.

In this connection they have been celebrating Teachers' Day as an annual function.

The Teachers' Day functions are the venue of quite a thousand teachers who get together in the spirit of true camaraderie.

This day (which comes off to-day, Saturday, at the Robert Money School, Proctor Road) starts with an Educational film show; in the afternoon, the teachers compete with each other in athletic sports and in the later part of the evening comes the "piece de resistance"—the teachers' day dinner whereat gather the foremost of educationists in the province of Bombay and outside it.

Doctor Montessori, the Rt. Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher, the Directors of Public Instruction and various other notabilities interested in the cause of education like the Hon. Justice B. J. Wadia have graced the occasion by their presence.

In view of all this, it seems that the Secondary Teachers of Bombay can do nothing better than flock in their hundreds to the Teachers' Day and help to make it the Annual Gala Day of the Association.

RAILWAYS BUY MORE INDIAN MATERIAL

The value of Indian material purchased by the Railways in 1939-40, both State and Company-managed was higher by Rs. 95,00,000 than in the previous year, while the value of imported material was lower by Rs 8,00,000, according to the Report by the Railway Board on Indian Railways for 1939-40

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THE DELTA PLATE
Distance 1 1/4 Miles.

Wafi Hamid 9-4, Inad Naji 9-0, Golden Morn 9-0, Dawood Pasha 9-0, Khalaf Nassaf 9-0, Latiff Hassun 8-13, Akhu Amin 8-9, Great Mogul 8-9, Pride of Mosul 8-9, Good Boy 8-2.

THE MARCH PLATE.
(Div. II).—Distance 6 Furlongs

Dry Sherry 9-0, Rafle 9-0, Tyran 9-0, Countess Nil 8-11, Belop 8-9, Miss Chief 8-7, Solomon 8-7, Ratnamala 8-4, Sherabel 8-4, Sit Fast 8-0, Coronation Year 8-0.

THE MARCH PLATE
(Div. I).—Distance 6 Furlongs

Redouble 9-2, Carlyon 8-11, Hue d'Or 8-11, Mazarin 8-11, Bay Nazir 8-8, Pearl Begum 8-4, Potato Jones 8-2, Double Oak 8-2, Ginger Biscuit 8-0, Swastika 7-11, Trusful 7-9, Eminent 7-9.

THE STAYERS' PLATE.
Distance (About) 1 1/2 Miles

Dinah's Son 9-0, Talk 8-2, Bolster 8-0, Ratepayer 8-0, Cotys 7-11, Cash Book 7-9, Foxlair 7-9, Haut Monde 7-7.

THE TRALEE PLATE
Distance 6 Furlongs.

Loveable 9-4, Arrow Sting 8-11, Silk Apron 8-9, Gilderoy 8-9, Dr. Mary 8-9, Kamala 8-5, Rooney's Girl 8-4, Serene Highness 8-4, Vijai Kumari 8-4, Poornima 7-9, Tiger Kid 8-2, Tavern 8-2, Nanice 8-2, Princess Rose 8-2, Reliable 7-7, War Dust 7-11, Chowrangi 7-9.

THE NORTHUMBERLAND PLATE
Distance 2 Miles.

Coeus 9-0, Gay Talkie 8-13, Sea Battle 8-11, Tall Story 8-0, Cave Man 8-4, Respirator 8-4, Delphi 7-11, Faris II 7-11.

THE ST. CLOUD HANDICAP.
Distance 6 Furlongs

Certus Divitae 9-0, Mayfowl II 9-0, Taqdir 8-11, Chhatrasal 8-11, Flying Orders 8-7, Pompeian 8-7, Wansfell 8-7, Diamond Ring 8-4, Eyrefield 8-4, Chiliarch 8-0, Sir Robin 7-13, Mahboob 7-9, Kilt 7-9.

THE ALEXANDRIA HANDICAP.
(Div. II).—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Dahman Suri 9-4, Snapper 9-0, Great Star 8-13, Star of Kashmir 8-13, Taj Subhan 7-12, Taj al Farat 8-13, Nalini II 8-11, Taj Mahal 8-9, Wheel of Fortune 8-4, Lala 8-2 John Wilkes 8-2, Dahman Fadhil 8-2, Spitfire 8-0, Walk Over 8-0, Zain ul Muluk 8-0, Marshal 7-13 Dalli al Iraq 7-11, Majhool 7-11, Majnun Anwah 7-11, Golden Dawn 7-9.

THE ALEXANDRIA HANDICAP.
(Div. I).—Distance 7 Furlongs.

Vasant Kumari 9-0, Sultana Salim 7-7, Kanz al Ilah 8-11, Gold Deposit 8-4, Fadhli Minshad 8-2, Prince Hilal 8-2, Royal Rival 8-0, Star of Lanka 8-0, Young Tiger 8-0, Bahar Neel 7-9, Tiger King 7-7.

Track Notes From Mahaluxmi

Coeus, Nalini II, Sultana Salim, And Diamond Ring Please

The following track work was noted at Mahaluxmi in preparation for the Third Day of the Spring Meeting.

DELPHI (Marrable) and COEUS (Evans) had easy exercise over nine furlongs on the race grass. COEUS impressed better.

SHALIVAHAN (Britt) and BISHARIN (Davison) were sent on a mile spin, the former beating the latter in 1 min. 45 secs.

WANSFEL (Carr) and HOT BUN II (R. Boy) covered six furlongs on the tan in 1 min. 19 2/5 secs.

GREETINGS (Marrable) and DELPHI (Davison) went together over 7 furlongs. An easy exercise.

CAVE MAN (Carr) beat easily FLYING ORDERS (R. Boy) in a seven furlong spurt. Time 1 min. 34 secs.

VALKYRIAN (Carr) and WANSFEL (Sibbritt) did an impressive gallop over 5 furlongs in 1 min. 5 secs. WANSFEL noteworthy.

FORTUNATE LAD (R. Boy), CHILIARCH (Khalil) and ENJEU (Sibbritt) gave a fast display in a 6 furlong run on the inner grass. ENJEU is quite good.

DIAMOND RING (Sibbritt) went at a rousing pace in beating SIR ROBIN (Meekings) over 6 furlongs in 1 min. 17 1/5 secs.

GAY TALKIE (Brace) was given an easy gallop over a mile.

HAUT MONDE (R. Boy) was better than EMINENT (R. Boy) in a smart mile gallop.

EYREFIELD (Jadhav) gave an impressive dash on the tan over 6 furlons in 1 min. 18 secs.

MULTISSIMO (R. Boy) went at an attractive pace over a mile in 1 min. 46 secs.

HIKMAT PASHA (Rosario) galloped a mile at an easy pace.

PUSHPAMALA (Jones) travelled fast over 5 furlongs.

ALMAROOF (Sibbritt) easily disposed of GAURISHANKER (Mohd. Khan) in a mile run on the inner grass in 1 min. 53 2/5 secs.

MAJNUN ANWAH (R. Boy) and DAHMAN FADHIL (B. McQuade) finished over 6 furlongs like fit horses. Time 1 min. 25 secs.

TIGER KING (Thompson) moved attractively in a 7 furlong dash on the tan in 1 min. 41 secs.

STAR OF KASHMIR (Laloo) galloped 6 furlongs on the tan in 1 m. 27 secs.

DAHMAN SURI (Sibbritt) easily held TAJ AL FARAT (R. Boy) in a smart gallop over 7 furlongs.

VASANT KUMARI (Jones) and SULTANA SALIM went together at a nice pace over 7 furlongs.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY'S RACES

By "ORR"

For to-day's races a programme of nine events has been framed. Fields are moderate in most of the events.

The Northumberland Plate for stayers in Class one and two over two miles will be contested by eight horses. Tall Story, Gay Talkie and Faris II strike me as the ones to seriously contest for the event.

The following are the selections for the day:—

1st Race: 2 p.m.
PRIDE OF MOSUL
AKHU AMIN 2
GOOD BOY F

2nd Race: 2-30 p.m.
DRY SHERRY 1
MISS CHIEF 2
RAFLE F

3rd Race: 3 p.m.
DOUBLE OAK 1
MAZARIN 2
POTATO JONES F

4th Race: 3-30 p.m
BOLSTER 1
DINAH'S SON 2
RATEPAYER F

5th Race: 4 p.m.
DR. MARY 1
SILK APRON 2
LOVEABLE F

6th Race: 4-30 p.m.
TALL STORY 1
GAY TALKIE 2
FARIS II F

7th Race: 5 p.m.
WANSFELL 1
POMPEIAN 2
SIR ROBIN F

8th Race: 5-30 p.m.
DAHMAN SURI 1
WHEEL OF FORTUNE 2
TAJ MAHAL F

9th Race: 6 p.m.
FADHLI MINSHAD 1
SULTANA SALIM 2
PRINCE HILAL F

DAILY DOUBLE:
DOUBLE OAK,
TALL STORY.

DAILY TREBLE:
DR. MARY,
WANSFELL,
DAHMAN SURI.

WIDESPREAD RISE IN SMALLPOX CASES

POONA, March 14.

"Steady rise in small-pox incidence continued during week and the figures of cases for the province were 553 against 520 reported and 802 revised during the previous week" says a Press Note issued by the Director of Public Health, Poona, on health conditions in the Bombay Province for the week ending March 8.

The Press Note adds that the infection is widespread and all the districts of the central and southern registration districts are affected while some districts in the northern registration district are also reporting cases.—A. P.

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WIDE GAP BETWEEN CASH AND FORWARD SHARE QUOTATIONS

Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Bombay, March 14.

MONEY.

The same easy conditions, familiar for a long time, persisted throughout the week in the short-term money market, which was glutted with funds. The rate for interbank call money remained unchanged at 1/4 per cent and 3 to 6 months money was available around 1 per cent. per annum. The Government of India sold Rs. 2.76 crores worth of intermediates during the week, while the Treasury Bill discount rate moved up fractionally from Re. 0-11-1 to Re. 0-11-6 per cen. per annum.

GILT-EDGED.

More encouraging war news, coupled with continuance of cheap money, gave renewed impetus to the gilt-edged market and prices advanced sharply. 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock in London was fairly steady around £99, but 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper, in the local market, ruled firmer at Rs. 95-10 at the finish as compared with the opening level of Rs 95. There was good investment demand in all other scrips; 2-3/4 per cent. loan was in demand at Rs. 96-14 and 4 per cent. 1943 bonds at Rs. 104-9. 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan was bid up from Rs. 98-15 to Rs. 99-2, 3 per cent. 1963-65 loan from Rs. 94-7 to Rs. 94-12 and 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan from Rs. 102 to Rs. 102-7. 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan moved up from Rs. 108 to Rs. 108-6 and 3 per cent. 1946 War Bonds evoked good demand around Rs. 101. 3 per cent. 1941 bonds remained static around Rs. 100-14 and 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan around Re. 113-8.

EXCHANGE.

There was no life in the rupee/sterling exchange market which continued to be featureless. For interbank business, sellers of spot T. T. on London quoted 1s. 5-63/64d. and buyers 1s. 6d. Merchant rates fixed by the Exchange Banks' Association were unchanged as under:—

Sellers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months 1s. 5-31/32d.

Buyers—T. T. for spot delivery and upto six months 1s. 66-1/32d.

In the New York market, the sterling moved narrowly between 403.25 and 403.50 cents. Both the Shanghai dollar and the yen were unchanged at 8-5/16d and 1s. 2-1/2d respectively.

GOLD.

The gold market retained its steadiness throughout the period under review. From the opening level of Rs. 43-7-6, spot, gold declined to Rs. 43-3-6 on Monday on an ebbing away of demand. Towards the close of the week, the rate was again marked up to Rs. 43-12 on speculative activity being revived and closed at Rs. 43-10. March settlement, which was quoted at a premium of 3 pies, stood at par with spot towards the close of the week, while gold to be delivered in April settlement commanded a premium of one anna throughout. Interest in sovereigns was on a restricted scale and the price of the coin came down from Rs. 29-6 to Rs. 29-3 on Monday, but improved to Rs. 29-6-6 in sympathy with the rise in gold. Stocks of gold are estimated at about 3,00,000 tolas; arrivals from upcountry are said to have averaged about 10,000 tolas a day; while the average daily offtake is believed to be 7,000 tolas. The highest and lowest rates touched during the week were: Rs. 43-13 Rs. 43-3-6 for spot, Rs. 43-13 and Rs. 43-3-9 for March settlement and Rs. 43-14 and Rs. 43-4-6 for April settlement.

SILVER.

The silver section of the local bullion market exhibited the same steadiness which has characterised the market for the past few weeks on account of a sustained upcountry demand. Fluctuations were narrow and the quotation moved within Rs. 62-15 and Rs. 63-2-6 for ready silver. The continuous selling at tap by the 'special' source prevented any further upward movement in the price of the metal. March settlement stood at a discount of one anna, while silver to be delivered in April settlement was quoted at a discount of half an anna under March after being at par with it in the earlier part of the week. The London market remained essentially idle and the prices were literally fixed throughout at 23-3/8d for cash and 23-5/16d. for two months' forward delivery. Floating stocks in the market are estimated at about 6,500 bars. The highest and lowest rates were: Rs. 63-2-6 and Rs. 62-15 for spot, Rs. 63-1-6 and Rs. 62-13 for March settlement and Rs. 63-1 and Rs. 62-13 for April settlement

SHARES.

Following more encouraging news from all war fronts and the passage of the American Lease and Lend Bill, the local share market advanced all round and the turnover showed a moderate increase. Although prices advanced substantially for forward delivery, cash quotations showed little or no change; thus the gap between forward and cash quotations widened further, being nearly 100 rupees in Deferreds and 10 rupees for Ordinaries.

The forward quotation for Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds, after opening quieter at 1982-8, gradually improved Rs. 2050, closing lower at Rs. 2031-4, whilst Ordinaries, after advancing from Rs. 386 to Rs. 395, reacted and closed at Rs. 392-8. The textile group of shares was again in the limelight, the most outstanding scrip being Kohinoors, which found buyers at Rs. 428 ex-dividend. Bombay Dyeings were marked up from Rs. 1093-12 to Rs. 1126-4, Centuries from Rs. 385-8 to Rs. 401 and Central Indias from Rs. 305-8 to Rs. 325. Colaba Lands steadily advanced from Rs. 175-8 to Rs. 180, Gokaks from Rs. 213 to Rs. 232-8 and New Greats from Rs. 434 to Rs. 455. The Hydro-electric group was, however, comparatively neglected except Tata Powers which were in request at Rs. 1622-8 as compared with the last week's level of Rs. 1600. Andhra Valleys were about unchanged at Rs. 1842-8, Bombay Trams ruled steady around Rs. 135 and Tata Hydros showed little or no change at Rs. 185. Bank shares were also in the background and were subject to liquidation; Bank of Indias were offered at Rs. 143-8. Central Banks were almost static at Rs. 42-14 and Imperial Bank Partly Paids at Rs. 385 all through the week. Imperial Bank Fully Paids, however, were offered at Rs. 1530 mid-week, but later recovered and closed at Rs. 1550. Reserve Banks were held around Rs. 105. In the miscellaneous line, Associated Cements moved up to Rs. 146-8 mid-week, but later declined to Rs. 144-8 on profit-taking. Belapurs, on the other hand, showed a steady rise from Rs. 212 to Rs. 218 at the finish. Bombay Burmas recorded a perpendicular of over 30 points to Rs. 560 mid-week and ruled steady around this level till the close. Scindia Steams ruled steady at Rs. 22 last week's buyers having been satisfied. New Indias were listless at Rs. 41-4.

CALCUTTA.

The jute section of the Calcutta market kept monotonously dull with very little business passing. Prices showed only minor fluctuations.

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HOLI CELEBRATIONS IN PESHAWAR ABANDONED

Police Alleged To Have Mishandled Volunteers

PESHAWAR, March 14.

All-night traditional tableaus and pageants to celebrate the Holi festival were suddenly abandoned after 2 o'clock last night in the city of Peshawar as a protest by the management against the alleged beating of some of the Holi volunteers by the police resulting in injuries to a large number of them.

It is stated that differences between the police and the Holi Management Committee arose over the regulating and stoppages of the route of a procession.

The Sikhs and Hindus are organising to observe hartal as a protest against the action of the police.

Telegrams have been sent to the Governor of Sind, the Deputy Commissioner of Police and the Senior Superintendent of Police by the Holi Management Committee requesting them to investigate into the matters.—United Press.

SIR N. N. SIRCAR'S RESOLUTION PASSED

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the suggestion contained in the resolution, it would afford them an opportunity to undertake a rapid militarisation of the country.

Mr. Fazal Ibrahim Rahimtoola deprecated the suggestion that the Congress and the Muslim League would not look at the proposals they were putting forward. If the Viceroy decided to reconstruct the Cabinet it was to be hoped that he would first call upon the Congress and the Muslim League to form the Government.

Sir Sultan Chinoy thought that this resolution was practically the same as the Poona resolution of the Congress and the resolution passed by the Liberal Federation at Calcutta.

"TRAVEL TOGETHER"

Mr. V. D. Savarkar said that the conference had struck a new note in the political history of this country. They had proved that the various parties in India could meet (contrary to the frequently made charge) on the basis of a common programme although they owed allegiance to different ideologies.

As the president of the Hindu Mahasabha he believed in India's right to absolute political Independence. But although some of those in the conference were not prepared to go so far with him he did not see why they should not travel together as long as they had a common journey.

He thought, however, that the Government would never agree to these proposals as they were determined to have all power in their own hands at least during the war.

Double Worry

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru in his concluding remarks paid a tribute to the zeal and earnestness of Sir Jagdis Prasad.

The essence of the resolution was that they wanted a declaration and firm declaration promising that India's status after the war should be the same as that of England or any of the Dominions. He would be a bold lawyer indeed, who could say what the Statute of Westminster was or what it was not. But his own conviction had been that their demand should be that if the Statute survived the war and its application was continued to the Dominions, it must be applied to India as well. But if it had passed and a new political status had been evolved, India's status should in no way be less than that of any other Dominion. Their demand should be perfect equality not merely in status but in power.

He did not think there would be much objection to recognising the status of India. In fact Mr. Wedgewood Benn had once said that Dominion Satus was in action in India. But the question was not of status but of power. They meant to have the same power as Canada, Australia and South Africa. He did not know what constitutional ideas were going to prevail at the end of the war. Whatever the final conclusions of British statesmen about the relationship between Britain and her dominion, India could not be content with anything less. Surely, 400 million people could not be relegated to a lower status.

The second point was the question of time. It was perfectly true that it was difficult to devise a time-table which would be precise to the minute. But, added Sir Tej, "we have been waiting since 1917 when that famous declaration was made by Mr. Montague. If pledges have any seriousness about them, they should be carried out before the patience of the people is tired out. I say that it should not be difficult for Britain to carry out those pledges within a reasonable distance of time after the war. If a constitutional machinery is now set up and the spade-work done, it should not be difficult to set up a new machinery both at the Centre and in the Provinces within a year or a year and a half after the war."

Adverting to the criticism that the reconstituted Executive Council was to be responsible to the Crown and not to the Legislature whereas the Congress is supposed to have said that it should be responsible to the Legislature. Sir Tej said that the language of the Congress resolution was certainly not clear. They had taken a more moderate view because it could be given effect to immediately without changing the constitutional position. Also it was better for the Executive to be responsible to the Crown than to a mixed legislature consisting of officials and non-officials and of elected and nominated members.

Referring to the various other constitutional criticisms, he said: "The Indian problem cannot be solved by logic-chopping. It requires men of big imagination and big statesmanship. I am free to confess and I am prepared to take the consequences of what I do say that the big imagination and the big heart are conspicuous by their absence both in India and in England. It almost looks as if British statesmanship is totally bankrupt."

If Mr. Amery wanted to know the true position of India, Sir Tej suggested he should come over to India with half a dozen members of Parliament and meet and talk with all kinds of people instead of relying upon the information of their agents in India. If India was worth retaining in the British Commonwealth, this problem must be tackled immediately. It was absurd that a question affecting the destinies of 400 million people could be settled over the radio broadcast and by speeches made before the Associations. He thought that it would be a great misfortune if the relation between India and Britain were allowed to become worse than what they were.

The resolution was put to vote and declared passed unanimously.

Sir Chimanlal Setalvad and Sir Cowasji Jehangir were not present at the time of the voting; but Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru in the course of his concluding remarks said that they had accepted the principle of the resolution.

The Maharaja of Parlakimidi proposed a vote of thanks.

BAN ON "FULCHHAB" WEEKLY REIMPOSED

(From Our Correspondent.)

RAJKOT, March 11.

"Fulchhab", a weekly published from Ranpur, has again been banned by Rajkot State, as per notification (number 30) dated 11th March. Offences under this notification will be dealt with by police, having power to bail or compound cases and triable by any Magistrate not below the rank of 2nd Class.

The ban on "Fulchhab" was lifted after the movement was over. This reimposition of the ban has come as a surprise to the public. The offence of importing or possessing this weekly, within State limits, will be punishable by one month's imprisonment or a fine of Rs. 500 or both.

League Session Time-Table

MADRAS, March 13.

Along with the 28th annual session of the All-India Muslim League to be held in Madras during the Easter holidays, there will be a session of the States Muslim League also.

Mr. Jinnah will arrive in Madras, on the morning of the 11th April by a special train. The Muslim League Flag will be hoisted at the pandal in People's Park that afternoon, and the Council of the All-India Muslim League will meet at 8-30 p.m. that day.

The Working Committee will be meeting at 10 a.m. on the 12th and the open session at 2-30 p.m.

The subjects committee will meet on the 13th instant, when the States Muslim League session will be held in the main pandal.

The open session of the League will meet again on Monday, the 14th April, when there will be two sittings, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, for consideration of resolutions. The session will conclude that night.

The central office of the All-India Muslim League will reach Madras by the first week of April.—A. P.

Bombay Welfare League

The books seized by the Bombay Police from the Bombay Welfare League were returned to the Secretaries at the Esplanade Police Court, Bombay, to-day.

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VIOLENT ATTACKS BY ITALIANS

Offensive On Wide Front All Day Fails

Greeks Rout 5 Enemy Divisions

Enemy Retreats Leaving Field Strewn With Dead And Wounded; Greeks Capture New Positions

ATHENS, March 14.

The Italians adopted mass infantry attacks with tremendous forces in a futile attempt to repulse the Greeks on the Central front in Albania, according to a Greek Press Bulletin quoted by the Athens radio. The mass attacks were supported by heavy artillery bombardment.

Despite Frantic efforts no ground was regained. Finally the Italians were forced to desist and retired leaving the field strewn with dead and wounded.

The 'communique' says, "The enemy continued his offensive throughout the day launching repeated violent attacks along a wide front all day. Large forces of infantry were used, supported by strong artillery and many aircraft.

Our troops repulsed all the enemy attacks inflicting heavy losses. Our aircraft successfully bombed military targets. Our anti-aircraft guns brought down two enemy aircraft."

Mussolini's presence in Albania is now confirmed by so many prisoners' statements that it cannot be doubted, the announcer said. The Duce has not succeeded in heartening his troops nor in changing the inexorable course of the war.

Will Take Back One More Defeat"

The Announcer added, "The Duce is returning to Italy on Saturday. His plan was to take back a victory with which to console his disconsolate people. Instead he will take back one more defeat—the heaviest of all—together with the maledictions of the battered Italian army".

The Greeks have taken a further 240 Italian prisoners including two Lieut.-Colonels and 12 other officers, stated an official spokesman.

Greeks Capture Enemy Positions

He added that after repulsing "Mussolini's personal offensive", the Greek troops started their own offensive and captured objectives. Italian counter-attacks, which Mussolini was waiting impatiently at the G.H.Q. and was expecting to produce results by Friday, have now tailed off, added the spokesman.

They have proved disastrous for five Italian divisions and have not brought the Italians an inch of ground. The bulk of the fighting in the central sector is along a front about 15 miles, at a height of 3,600 feet. Much of the fighting took place in moonlight last night. The Italians apparently hoped to spring a surprise, but were thrown back with very heavy losses.

R. A. F. Will Smash Luftwaffe

"When the time comes the R. A. F. in the Middle East will strike at the Germans as hard as it has struck at the Italians", declared Air Chief Marshal Longmore, Commander-in-Chief of the R. A. F. in the Middle East, in an interview with the Greek Newspaper, "Ethnos".

Asked to what he attributed the defeat of the Italian air force, Air Chief Marshal Longmore replied: "In my opinion it was due to a dearth of inspired leaders and lack of organisation. In addition Italian airmen have not the high morale and courage which comes from the conviction that one is fighting for a just cause".

Among the Italian prisoners recently captured in Albania is the famous Professor Pellegrini of the Naples University, who is a member of the Fascist Grand Council, says an official announcement. He was severely wounded.

Gruesome Spectacle For Mussolini

LONDON, March 13.

Italians are making desperate efforts to achieve some show of success in Albania under the eye of the 'Duce' himself who, according to reports reaching the Press Ministry in Athens, has been six days on the central sector in order to raise the morale and will not leave for Rome until March 15, but await success at all costs.

FURIOUS ONSLAUGHT

The result of the furious onslaught—said to be launched on a 12-1|2 miles front—can be judged from the Greek G.H.Q. 'communique' issued on Wednesday night which states that during Tuesday night and Wednesday —the fourth day of his offensive, the enemy increased his efforts with no success.

"All his attacks were repulsed by our troops," it is stated. "His losses were likewise very considerable. By successful action we captured 200 prisoners including four officers. Our aviation successfully aided these operations."

10,000 ITALIANS KILLED

Ten thousand Italians have been killed, wounded or captured during four days' heavy fighting in Albania, according to reliable military observers. Apparently spurred on by Sgr. Mussolini's visit, Black-shirts launched a series of counter-attacks in the central sector advancing in close packed waves in an effort to regain the vital heights in the Tepelini area recently captured by the Greeks.

The attacks suddenly faded during Wednesday afternoon and have not been resumed on the same scale to-day, but it is not yet clear whether this is a temporary lull or not. Greek reports say that the 'Noman's Land' on the mountain side is littered with Italian dead, while it is reliably estimated that three Italian divisions have been completely destroyed.

Officer prisoners confirm that Sgr. Mussolini recently visited Tirana and paid a two-day visit to the Tepelini area.—Reuter.

Workers' meeting at Azad Maidan on Tuesday demanding war allowance.

HORRORS OF ITALIAN PRISONS

About 100 Indians Released

LONDON, March 14.

A special correspondent with the East African Forces writes:—

A grim story of life in an Italian prison camp at Denah in Italian Somaliland, has now been related by one of the 1,300 men and women captives who were released by British troops.

These were mainly Abyssinians some of whom had been incarcerated for more than five years, BUT THERE WERE A FEW INDIAN TRADERS AND 79 INDIAN SEAMEN FROM THE CREW OF SHIPS SUNK BY OCEAN RAIDERS. There were also 200 Somalis suspected of anti-Fascist activities.

The camp was on the seashore, 25 miles south of Mogadishu. The captives were surrounded by sea on one side and waterless bush on the other sides of the camp so that escape was all but out of question.

All suffered from inadequate rations except the Indians who were able to pay the guards for extra food supplies. Disease was rife and the dead were buried without coffins.

The prisoners slept in sheds under most insanitary conditions and water supplies were brackish. During seven months only two prisoners—Somalis—succeeded in escaping but on March 1 with the knowledge that help was at hand 49 Somalis broke away.—Reuter.

NO OCCUPATION OF HOLLAND FOR EVER

Nazi Assurance To Holland

LONDON, March 14.

German concern at non-co-operation by the Dutch people was implied in a speech broadcast last night by Dr. Seyss Inquart, the Reich Commissioner for the Netherlands, who referred to Holland after the occupation.

"I am", he said, "judging every man only from the point of view of how he will behave when there is no longer a German occupying force.

I state quite emphatically that we do not want to occupy the Netherlands for ever. What we want is to assure the co-operation of the Netherlands in the New Europe. I shall not leave this soil until that mission is carried out."

Earlier Dr. Seyss Inquart had declared that the German attitude towards the Dutch people was "they must be either for or against us. There is no third way."—Reuter.

Dutch Premier On How To Meet Recurring German Danger

LONDON, March 13.

There must be no weakness or pity shown to Germany after victory warns the Dutch Premier, Professor G. S. Gerbrandy, in Friday's issue of "Vrij Nederland", the Free Dutch newspaper.

"It is not only Hitler we must conquer" he declares, "It is also the recurring German danger. Sometimes I am less confident of this than I am of victory because I see the possibility of weakness and pity arising with regard to 'the poor misled Germans' who, as soon as they see signs that they cannot go on with the fight, will try to repudiate their present rulers like they did those in power in 1918.

Without obtaining definite safeguards against recurring German danger we shall be forsaking our duty to posterity."—Reuter

DR S. A. KAPADIA DEAD

LONDON, March 13.

The death is reported of Dr. Shaporji Aspaniarji Kapadia.—Reuter.

U. S. Govt. Appeals For Voluntary Registration Of Workers

ENSURING SPEEDING-UP OF PRODUCTION OF ARMS

30 American Torpedo Boats And Coast Guard Units To Be Transferred To Britain

WASHINGTON, March 14.

In their bid to speed up production of arms, the United States Government on Thursday appealed for voluntary registration, beginning to-morrow, of all workers available for making defence goods. All unemployed men and women are also being asked to register.

Congressional sources stated that it was virtually certain that 30 "mosquito fleet" torpedo boats would be sent to Britain soon. Some legislators said that they have heard reports that some smaller sea going units of the Coast Guard might also be transferred.

President Roosevelt's request for 7,000 million dollars to implement the Lease and Lend Bill was endorsed "very definitely and enthusiastically" by Mr. Stimson and Colonel Knox, Secretaries for War and the Navy at a private meeting of the House of Representatives' Appropriation Sub-Committee, according to Mr. Woodrum, the acting Chairman of the Committee. The Sub-Committee sat for three hours.

Mr. Woodrum afterwards stated that the 7,000 million dollar figure was reached "after a statement of the British needs had been furnished to this Government". This British statement has not yet been presented to the Committee proper or to Congress, and when it is it will probably not be published.

Agreed Plan

An agreed concrete plan for the Federal Mediation Board to handle labour disputes in United States defence industries has been submitted to President Roosevelt by the United States Government's Defence Production Chiefs, Mr. Knudsen and Mr. Hillamn Hillamn, together with Miss Perkins, Secretary of Labour. No details of the plan are yet available.

Mr. Vinson, Chairman of the House of Representatives' Naval Committee, testifying before the Judiciary Committee of the House, which is considering various proposals to restrict stoppages of work in defence industries, declared that strikes since the beginning of 1940 had cost enough man-hours to build 325 bombers.

Two-Ocean Navy.

The bill authorising the expenditure to help finance America's two-ocean navy is expected to be passed by the House of Representatives on Friday.—Reuter.

TWO KILLED IN QUARREL OVER CHILDREN

KARACHI, March 14.

Two persons were killed and seven others were seriously injured as a result of a fight between two parties of agriculturists in a village near Ghari Khairo in Larkana district.

The fight was a sequel to a quarrel over the children of one party who were playing games in front of the residence of the other.—A. P.

M. L. A.'S PETITION TO SIND GOVT. FOR WAR CONTRIBUTION

Grant Of Rs. 4,86,000 For War Purposes Fund

KARACHI, March 14.

A petition praying that the Sind Government should contribute Rs. 4,86,000 towards the War Purposes Fund has been presented to the Sind Legislative Assembly by Sardar Bahadur Jam Jan Mohamed Khan, M.L.A.—A. P.

Sind Govt. Grants Rs 1,000 For Hindustan Scout Association

KARACHI, March 14.

The Sind Government has sanctioned a grant-in-aid of Rs. 1,000 for the Hindustan Scouts' Association, and the President, Mr. R. K. Sidhva, M.L.A., has addressed the various collectors seeking their support for strengthening the movement in the province.—A. P

Separate Dept. To Promote Communal Harmony

KARACHI, March 14.

To promote communal harmony a proposal to establish a separate department on the lines of the Punjab is being considered by the Sind Government, it is understood.

The Department will organise village lectures and do propaganda both through the platform and the press to bring the two communities nearer to each other.—A. P.

EIRE UNDER SHADOW OF WAR

Danger To Ireland Increasing, Says De Valera

DUBLIN, March 14.

As the crisis of the war grew more acute, the danger to Ireland correspondingly increased, said Mr. de Valera, Premier of Eire, speaking in the Dail.

He said that from the moment the war broke out Eire had been threatened not because the belligerents wanted directly or indirectly to injure them, but because the country happened to be placed in such a position that there was the temptation on one side or the other to seize the territory for military advantage.—Reuter.

35 Per Cent Reduction In Canadian Wheat Production

OTTAWA, March 14.

The limitation in the amount of 1941 wheat crop to be accepted by the Canadian Wheat Board to 230 million bushels as announced by Mr. James Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, will need a reduction of approximately 35 per cent. of the wheat acreage.

Farmers who use the remaining acreage in certain specified ways will be compensated.—Reuter.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day

NOT A BAD DISH—OF POISON

BANANA BOAT MYSTERY

WHAT'S UP? I HEARD SHOTS!
MISS PARRISH WENT OVERBOARD-AND DAVID WENT AFTER HER-HE DISAPPEARED UNDER WHARVES!
I'D BETTER SEE WHAT'S HAPPENED! NOTHING LIKE AN EARLY MORNING PLUNGE!
BUT-RICHTER? WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH HIM?
I FOUND A GOOD, LONG PIECE OF ROPE... HE WON'T WIGGLE OUT OF IT!
NIALL! I'LL HELP YOU GET AWAY!...
DAVID... OH YOU DEAR, FOOLISH BOY... DON'T GET MIXED UP IN THIS!... GO BACK... I TOLD YOU I'M POISON!
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